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RUSSIAN OFFER FOR BERLIN

Financial Deals With Britain Restricted

Financial transactions between Hong Kong and Great Britain now require the approval of the Hong Kong Exchange Control. It was officially stated yesterday.

The new regulation, it was explained, is to prevent the use of the local free U.S. dollar market for the purchase of cheap sterling and for capital flight of sterling to the United States.

The official statement said: "Authorized banks are advised that with immediate effect monetary transactions between Hong Kong and Great Britain require the approval of the Hong Kong Exchange Control."

"Banks are, however, authorized to make or receive payments freely provided the amount of any one transaction does not exceed the equivalent of £500. Applications for approval of transactions in excess of this amount should be submitted to the Financial Secretary's Office on Form E.1."

"Banks may pass entries without reference if they are satisfied that the transaction is in respect of (a) bona fide imports or exports; (b) insurance premiums, claims and refunds; (c) reasonable travelling expenses; (d) dividends and interest payments."

"These restrictions have been imposed to prevent the use of the local free U.S. dollar market for the purchase of cheap sterling and for capital flight of sterling to the U.S.A."

"The Government has no intention of restricting bona fide transactions between Hong Kong and Great Britain."

SEVERE BLOW TO WESTERN UNION

The Hague, July 20.

The fall of the French Government struck a severe blow at the conference of the Western European Union.

The French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bidault, plans to go home by plane late today.

The other Ministers agreed to cut short the final formal meeting after lunch.

The Foreign Ministers of Great Britain, France, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg met alone this morning without advisers to survey the problems raised by the French political crisis.

The crisis struck at the very roots of the major problem discussed here—defense of Western Europe—now that one of the main governments of the Union has fallen over the very question of increased armaments and defense.

It was reported that the United States has warned the five countries that several years may elapse before an American military aid programme can become reality.

The two-day conference ends tonight with a rotating communiqué which is expected to touch only lightly upon the two most vital aspects of the conference—the German crisis and American military aid to Western Europe.

On the Berlin question the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, heard appeals from the other four Foreign Ministers against any showdown with the Russians.

The French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bidault, and the Benelux Ministers especially were opposed to any spectacular attempt to break the Berlin blockade by force. They urged everything possible be done to resume four-power negotiations.

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Prepared To Supply Food To The City, Including West PROPAGANDA FANFARE

Berlin, July 20.

With great propaganda fanfare the Russians announced today that they were prepared to supply food for all Berlin, including the 2,000,000 inhabitants of the Western sectors whom they have blockaded for more than a month.

The Russian announcement claimed they would be able to supply the city with 100,000 tons of bread grains imported from the Soviet Union.

An announcement by the official Soviet News Bureau told Western Berliners they must buy this food with Soviet-sponsored German currency which circulates here as a rival to the Western-sponsored Deutschmark.

The announcement was timed to coincide with a statement by the Western Allies that they were unable, because of the Russian land blockade, to deliver proposed increases in food ration scales for their sectors of the city.

The announcement said the action was taken at the request of the Soviet Military Administration in Berlin. It said the grain and foodstuffs would be placed "at the disposal" of the military administration.

The brief announcement, which appeared in Moscow morning newspapers without comment, said:

"In view of the request of the Soviet Military Administration in Germany, the Council of Ministers of the U.S.S.R. has taken a decision to place at the disposal of the Soviet Military Administration in Germany from State reserves 100,000 tons of wheat and a corresponding quantity of other food products for the supply of Berlin, including its Western sectors."

Double-Barrelled Attack On West

Thus the Soviet announcement was a double-barrelled attack on the Western Powers. Not only did the Russians claim they could feed all Berliners but their announcement sought to discredit Western-sponsored currency as worthless for the primary function of buying food.

Russian-controlled newspapers in Berlin again attempted to discredit American-British airlift which is supplying the blockaded Western sectors of the city with rations flown from Western Germany.

"The air bridge is without avail—all Berliners can buy their ration in the Soviet sector in the future," the Communist Press said.

Russian fighter planes have "razed" the British airbase in Berlin, Western Allied officials said, however, that Soviet air attacks had not impeded the American-British aerial service to the city. The Russian blockade with its attending

economic paralysis, has forced the closing of nearly 1,000 of Berlin's industrial plants.

First reaction of Western Berliners to the Russian food announcement was somewhat cynical. Some said they would attempt to obtain the Soviet-offered food but one native Berliner employed in an American office remarked:

Foreign Office Comment

"So now the Russians offer us food when they have shut it off from Western Germany. They say it is grain sent from the Soviet Union. But what about the low rations 10,000,000 Germans in the Russian occupation zone have endured? What about the millions of tons of food the Russians have taken out of their zone and shipped to Russia?"

In London the Foreign Office spokesman today called the Soviet offer to send 100,000 tons of food into the Soviet sector of Berlin "very interesting" but said it contained a number of inconsistencies.

He said Sir William Strang, Foreign Under-Secretary in Charge of German Affairs, is studying the Soviet statement and discussing it with the American Ambassador, Mr. Lewis Douglas, and French Ambassador René Messigier.

The spokesman said the Government learned of the Soviet proposal only through news agency reports. He said it reserved no reply from the Western powers although they may issue a formal comment upon it.

He reserved judgment on the suggestion that it might be the first step toward lifting the blockade of Berlin. He said 100,000 tons is equivalent to about two months supply of food for the Western sectors of the capital and six weeks' supply for Berlin as a whole.

The spokesman disclosed that the Anglo-American occupation authorities within the past days had offered to buy potatoes and coal from Poland and other foodstuffs from Czechoslovakia for dollars for the Western sectors of Berlin. Associated Press and United Press.

Fleet Leaves On Japan Trip Today

Admiral Sir Denis Boyd, Commander-in-Chief of the British Pacific Fleet, will sail for Japan in HMS London today. London will be accompanied by HMS Sussex, Cossack, Constance, Consort and Harp.

Shortly after leaving Hong Kong harbor this afternoon the warships will be joined by a Sunderland aircraft of 80 Squadron to provide an anti-submarine air patrol.

Some time in the evening HMS Australia will attack the fleet firing dummy torpedoes. After the attack the submarine will be hunted by destroyers using radar apparatus.

Included in the Japanese fleet to be visited are Tokyo, Yokohama, Nagasaki, Kobe, Osaka, and other ports.

The ships leaving today will be joined by HMS Cossack, Constance, Consort and Harp on August 10, Black Swan on August 20, and Green Ranger, sailing on July 21.

London will return to Hong Kong on September 10 and leave for Singapore five days later.

Cossack, Constance, Consort, and Chub will arrive back in the Colony on September 25, five days after the return of Sussex, Harp and Black Swan.

While at Onahito on August 5 the fleet will hold its annual review regatta for which crews have been training in the waters of the several weeks past.

Letters for officers and men of the ships going on the cruise should be addressed to the ship concerned c/o British Fleet Mail Office, Hong Kong, and must be stamped with Hong Kong postmark at the rate of 10 cents per letter.



Homes Without Roofs

Situated at the corner of Jordan Road and Woosung Street, the house shown in the photo on left, was one of the hundreds bombed during the war.

The majority of the other buildings in the area bounded by Austin Road, Jordan Road, Nathan Road and Canton Road, have been pulled down and new modern houses constructed on the sites.

This corner house, although a mere shell, is nevertheless occupied by two business concerns—one a carpenter's shop with an entrance at Woosung Street and the other a rattan-ware dealer's stall at the Jordan Road side wall.

Further up Woosung Street, near Bowring Street, is a block of reconstructed houses in the centre of which are three devastated tenements. On the ground floor of the building shown on the right of the photo above with clothes hanging in front, are four nondescript hovels, occupied by 14 persons, including one-year-old twins.

Air Of Tension Along The New Territories' Border

For the past four nights machine gun and rifle fire were heard by members of the Shataukok Police Station coming from the direction of the hills opposite the station, the "China Mail" learned during a tour of the border yesterday.

The 50 additional constables sent out on Monday night have been deployed. Ten have gone to each of the Shataukok, Takulung and Lin Ma Hang stations, and 20 remain as reserves at Fanlung.

Inspector Simpson went around the post area with additional provisions for the reinforcements.

A platoon of Gurkhas, rushed to Shataukok from the San Wa Camp in the early hours of yesterday morning was withdrawn later in the day.

When everything appeared calm there was an air of tension at the stations visited, particularly at Shataukok. Personnel and mobile transports were "on the ready" while, as a precautionary measure, all passing through the borders were subjected to a thorough search—at the point of three-revolvers held by Shantung constables.

On the Chinese side of Shataukok, Capt. Hon Yuk-kwan, one of the four company commanders stationed there, told the visiting Pressmen that there had been several skirmishes between the soldiers and bandits during the past few days.

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loutok the only post in this area. Customs cruisers are patrolling Mira Bay and looking on the perimeter of the Shataukok post each night.

About midnight on July 10, said Capt. Hon, a group of about 100 bandits made an attack on Wu Ting Shan with sub-machine guns and rifles. While the army there was replying to the attack with trench mortars, they were attacked with revolvers by persons hidden in some of the houses. Both attacks were, however, repulsed.

Curfew Imposed

A two-hour skirmish between the military and the bandits took place at Lin Tong on the night of July 19. The bandits were also routed in this attack.

A curfew was imposed at Shataukok (Chinese section) from 10 to 11 a.m. yesterday as the result of information received by the Chinese authorities that some persons were planning to infiltrate into the area from the British territory. Three suspects have been picked up by the military police.

There is absolutely no truth to the rumour that the Shataukok Police Station had been attacked and set on fire on Monday night, said a high ranking Police official to the "China Mail" yesterday.

Sitting in one of the Police huts on the mainland, beyond Kai Tak airfield, there is no telephone communication with that station, and contact can be made only by radio.

Inquiries at the Water Police Station revealed that they are thinking there have been in constant touch with Sub-Inspector Olliver, the Officer-in-Charge.

CAIRO. RAIDED BY UNKNOWN AIRCRAFT

Heavy Fighting Still Raging In Holy Land

Cairo, July 20.

Jewish sources in Haifa said today fighting still continued in northern Palestine on the third day of the truce imposed by the United Nations.

A main Cairo thoroughfare was blasted last night when a single unidentified plane raided the Egyptian capital. Investigators of the Egyptian Interior Ministry and explosives experts said the plane dropped an "aerial mine" which damaged a motion picture theatre and two department stores.

Premier Mahmoud Fahmy Nokrashy Pasha left a Cabinet meeting and rushed to the scene of the explosion. He told newsmen "If this plane proves to have been a Zionist plane and such an action is repeated by the Zionists, we will reply immediately."

Cairo was under an air raid alarm from 9.45 p.m. until 11.10 p.m. GMT. A central switch was thrown to black out the city. Anti-aircraft guns went into action.

Egyptian investigators said the Metropole cinema, which had been closed for the summer season, was wrecked and the Cleurel and Oresco department stores were extensively damaged. First estimates said two persons were killed and 17 wounded.

Haifa informants said Syrian troops again tried to cross the Jordan River near the Sea of Galilee but were repulsed by the Israeli troops in the area. Israeli planes raided Syrian troop concentrations in the Banlyas area of Syria.

Koreans Kill One American

Seoul, July 20.

Koreans firing from a border ambush killed one American enlisted man and wounded another, then fled into Russian-occupied North Korea, the U.S. Army said today.

An unknown number of attackers, in civilian clothing, hid in a cornfield 400 yards inside the American zone. As five Americans approached, the Koreans threw grenades and opened fire with small arms, then fled into the darkness.

The American soldiers returned the fire with carbines and rifles, but there was no indication of any Korean casualties, the announcement said. The scene of the attack was near Kaesong, northwest of Seoul.

It was the first death of an American soldier in a Korean border incident, although there have been several clashes. Most of the incidents involved South Korean police and North Korean constabularymen.

Meanwhile Syngman Rhee, 74-year-old independence leader, was elected President of Korea today under the ancient land's first Democratic Government. The Vice-Presidency went to the man of Rhee's choice, 50-year-old Lee Si Yung.

Rhee, who has been demanding Korean independence for 40 years, won 169 of 290 votes cast by members of the new National Assembly chosen in an election under United Nations auspices. A Communist regime has been set up in Soviet-occupied North Korea which did not participate in the South Korean elections.

Rhee, who has been Chairman of the National Assembly, defeated Kim Koo, another veteran worker for Korean independence, for the Presidency. Kim polled 13 votes, then lost to Lee in the second ballot in the Vice-Presidential voting. Lee is a descendant of one of Korea's early noble families. Associated Press.

Contraband Arms Cargo Seized

Nanking, July 20.

Chinese gendarmes in Amoy captured a cargo of contraband arms aboard a ship which arrived off the port from the Philippines on July 17, according to a Central News despatch today.

The arms seized included 11 tommy guns, 1,150 rounds of tommy gun ammunition, 21 sub-machine guns and 180 rounds of carbine ammunition.

The name of the vessel was given as "Tiladane"—UP.

IMPORT DUTIES RAISED

Nanking, July 20.

The Legislative Yuan, at a secret session today, approved a general raise in customs import duties ranging from 10 to 30 per cent, it was learned.

While exact figures were unavailable, it was indicated that a general increase of 30 per cent in the tariff will be imposed on imports of luxury items.

Cotton yarns were the least affected, for which import duties will be raised by 10 per cent and those for cotton fabrics by 20 per cent.—Reuter-AAP.

The Weather

From a depression over SW China, a trough extends across the Eastern Sea to N Japan. A ridge of moderate high pressure extends from the Pacific anticyclone to the Loosons. A tropical depression appears to be forming over the Pacific about 200 miles E of Samar. It will probably move WNW.

Today's Forecast—Moderate southerly winds, cloudy with showers, especially overnight, clearing partially at times.

Yesterday's Weather—

Maximum	77.5	Min. 74.5
Bombing	4.5 <td>hours</td>	hours
Rainfall	22.5	mm.-in. 0.9
Jan. 1-1934-4	42.5	in.
August	an average of 124.9	mm.-in.
47.4	in.	

Here, at sea, 1937, 100.5 m.m. 4.0 in. 1938, 100.5 m.m. 4.0 in. 1939, 100.5 m.m. 4.0 in. 1940, 100.5 m.m. 4.0 in. 1941, 100.5 m.m. 4.0 in. 1942, 100.5 m.m. 4.0 in. 1943, 100.5 m.m. 4.0 in. 1944, 100.5 m.m. 4.0 in. 1945, 100.5 m.m. 4.0 in. 1946, 100.5 m.m. 4.0 in. 1947, 100.5 m.m. 4.0 in. 1948, 100.5 m.m. 4.0 in.

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Teachers' Summer School

At the opening of the Aberdeen Teachers' Summer School which began yesterday, at the Regional Seminary, Aberdeen, Mr. M. G. O'Connor, acting Director of Education spoke to the assembled teachers.

Having congratulated the organizers of the school on the selection of lecturers and on the choice of subjects, Mr. O'Connor pointed out the great benefits to be derived from this type of combined lecture and discussion study.

Mr. O'Connor told a warm tribute to Mr. Y. P. Law, the Inspector of Vernacular Schools, who presided at the meetings on the opening day, and who is shortly to retire after a long career in education.

The Summer School was organized by Mr. M. J. Morahan, S.J., of the staff of the Regional Seminary, who taught English in the school attached to the Aberdeen Fisheries Syndicate during the last year.

The school will last for three days, and consists of morning and afternoon lectures followed by discussion periods.

The speakers on the first day were Professor Ma Kiam, of the Hong Kong University, who spoke on Chinese Literature in Primary Schools, Mr. Li Shi Yee, of the Yau-mat Government School and the Northcote Training College, on Methods of Teaching History and Geography, and Mr. Chan Si Fung of the Chap Shun Middle School, Canton, on the Teaching of Music in Primary Schools.

Programme

Tomorrow Professor Ma Kiam will be in the chair and the speakers will be Professor Wong Sik Ling, of the Chung Shun University, Canton, on the Chinese Language Problem, and Dr. Quincey Wong on Hygiene.

On Thursday, the closing day of the school, Mr. Yu Wan, Inspector of Vernacular Schools will preside, and the speakers will be the Very Reverend Canon A. Ho, Headmaster of St. Joseph's College, Macao, on the Social Question, and Mr. E. S. K. Ho Tung, whose subject will be the World before the Youth of Today. The school will conclude with a social entertainment on the evening of the last day.

More than thirty attended the opening day's lectures, the teachers coming from seven of the schools in the Aberdeen and Apichau areas. Two visitors at the morning session were Mr. J. C. Cater, the Officer in Charge of the Hong Kong Fisheries Department, and his assistant Mr. Wu Wai Kee, who has recently returned from an extensive tour of the fishery co-operatives of North Western Europe, in which he included a flying visit to Iceland.

Personalities

The forthcoming wedding of Cpl. Ernest Bailey, R. F. Station, Kai Tak, to Miss Beryl Jade Wu, Telephoneist, RAF Station, Kai Tak, has been announced.

Latest arrivals from Singapore by BOAC flying-boat are Major F. M. Cunningham, Messrs. Desand, B. S. C. Mackenzie, Eu Keng-hong, Chang Shu-ching, Eu Keng-yuet, Eu Keng-loon, Coss, Rummans, Madame Lee Sow-hong, Madame Lee Siew-shong, Miss Kathleen Yee Yin.

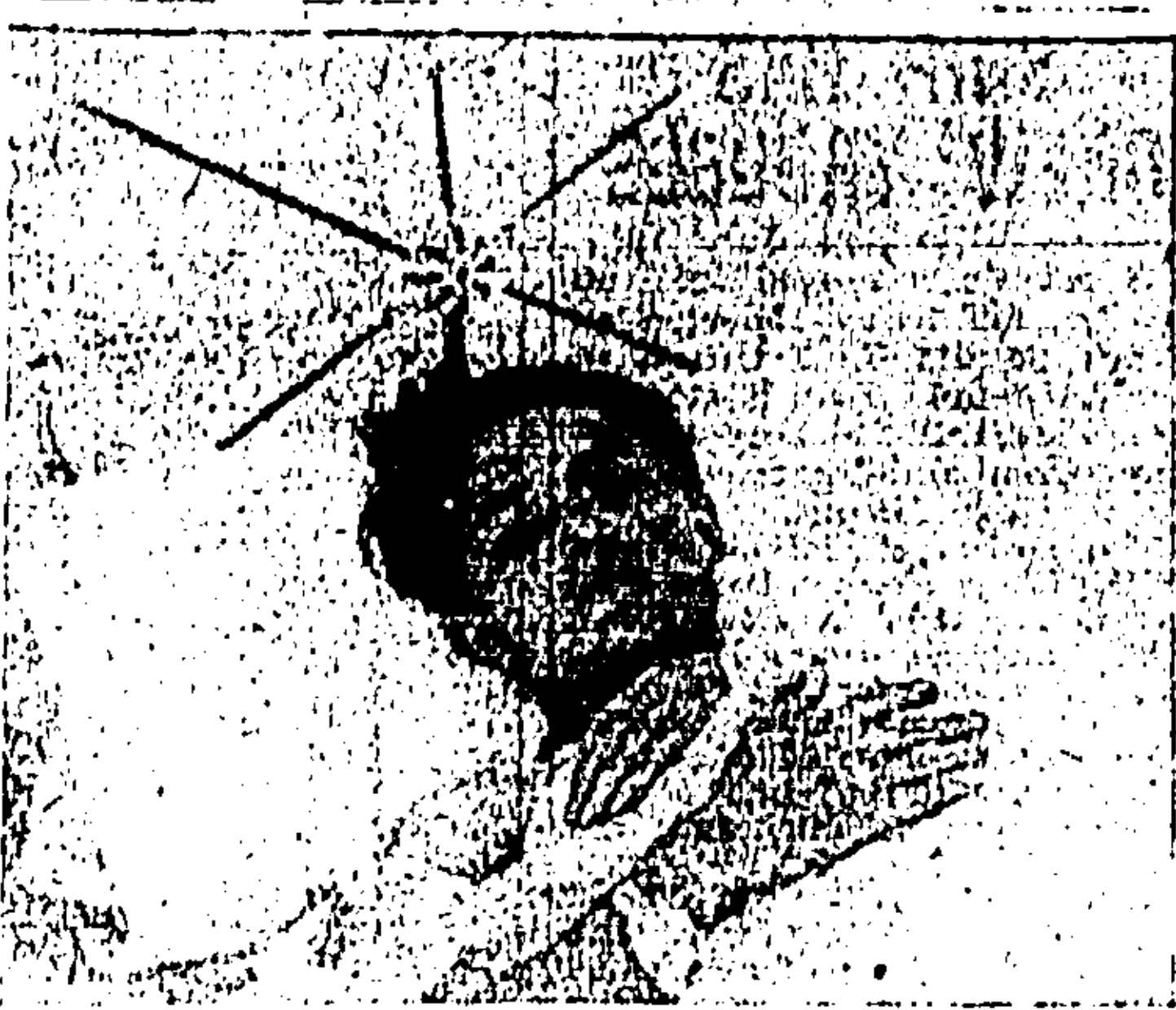
Mr. Hubert Lal, of the Boys and Girls Clubs Association, will be the guest speaker at the T. H. meeting today at 8.30 p.m. Recently returned from a British Council sponsored tour in England, Mr. Lal will speak on his visits to various Youth Clubs.

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Monday were Dr. L. M. Lourie, Messrs. D. J. Evans, F. P. Collyer, H. A. Bates, W. J. Coss, N. R. Rummans, and Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Giles.

Commander W. Kirkwood, Messrs. Lim Tong, Ang Go, Sy Che, Sy Gam, Cossar, Chui and Sy Yu arrived from Hong Kong by COA from Manila.

Bound for Singapore. When the Hong Kong went aground at Chiang Point, 30 miles east of Hong Kong last year, she had 1,800 passengers on board all bound from Singapore to Swatow and Amoy.

All the passengers and crew were rescued except one elderly man who died from shock.



TOP PICTURE shows the sole survivor of the CPA Catalina disaster recuperating in a Macao hospital. Bottom picture is of Mr. K. S. MacDuff, second officer on the flying-boat.

Aircraft Wreck Not Yet Lifted

Divers and diving equipment were flown from Hong Kong to Macao yesterday to assist in salvaging the submerged Catalina flying-boat east of the Portuguese Colony.

Two unsuccessful attempts were made on Monday to lift the wrecked plane. In the course of the salvage work, two bodies floated to the surface.

One of the bodies was identified as that of Dr. Daniel Nelson, whose wife, daughter and son also perished in the plane crash.

Total number of bodies recovered by yesterday was eight, four of which have been identified. Wong Yu, the only survivor, is still in hospital.

Mr. S. Chan, of the Macao Air Transport Company, told the "China Mail" yesterday that the plan is to lift the flying-boat with the crane, place it on a raft and tow it to Macao.

Whether the subsequent inquiry into the tragedy will be held at Macao or Hong Kong was still undetermined, he said. Mr. Chan said that the funeral arrangements for the dead were being undertaken by the Macao Air Transport Company.

Referring to a Chinese report that one Chinese passenger was carrying 3,000 taels of gold, Mr. Chan said that each passenger was allowed only about 30 pounds of baggage (not 100 pounds as reported previously).

Chinese reports said that two attempts to lift the plane were unsuccessful on Monday. In both instances the rope was disconnected from the plane when it was drawn up.

Other reports said that a Chinese launch fouled and dragged away the buoy that marked the spot where the plane was submerged. As a result, considerable time was wasted on Monday in locating the wreck again.

FOOD AND FUEL COSTS

Food and Fuel Costs for the week ending last Saturday	
Rice & Flour	7.2 cwt. \$ 4,710.00
Vegetables	1.9 " 1,980.00
Salt Cabbage	7 " 2,000.00
Oil	2 " 1,510.00
Tea	2 " 980.00
Salt Fish	3 " 630.00
Flour	3 " 780.00
Pork	3 " 750.00
Firewood	10.0 " 700.00
Bean Curd, 14 pieces	700.00
Total	\$11,750.00

POPULAR MYTHS ON TYPHOONS EXPLODED

Mr. L. Starbuck, Acting Director of the Hong Kong Royal Observatory, exploded some popular myths about typhoons in a talk before Hong Kong Rotary yesterday. Here are some of them.

"Typhoons do not occur outside the typhoon season." They do. They have occurred in every month of the year. It is true there is a maximum frequency of occurrence in August and September, but the May to October myth, about which nonsense has been written, is dangerously misleading, especially to the seaman who is not merely concerned with this point.

The sixth highest wind velocity recorded in Hong Kong was in a November typhoon, outside the so-called season.

"Typhoons, outside of, or early or late in the so-called season are less severe." Wrong. The maximum hourly average wind velocity for each month in which typhoons have caused gales in Hong Kong is remarkably the same, within two or three m.p.h. in fact.

"Thunderstorms preclude the possibility of typhoons." They do not. It is true that the pressure patterns most favorable to these two phenomena are dissimilar, but lightning has frequently been observed in typhoons.

"Typhoon flies mean a storm." Not necessarily. They like sultry conditions, but these occur apart from typhoons.

In Cycles

"A typhoon year means a wet year." Typhoons, although invariably accompanied by heavy rains at the time appear to have nothing to do with the yearly total. Of 88 typhoons affecting Hong Kong, 34 occurred in years having below average rainfall, and 32 in years having above.

The wettest and driest years on record each had no typhoon. "We shall have a typhoon this year because we had one last year." There was a bad typhoon in 1936 and the very worst ever in 1939 and the very worst ever occurred the following year, 1937.

"Typhoons occur in cycles." Not one that you could recognize. Four typhoons occurred in 17 days in 1894, and three in 10 days in 1897. On the other hand there were none at all for almost four years between 1923 and 1926. The average is rather more than one a year, so we are lucky if we get through the year without at least one blow.

Mr. Starbuck said when he first came out to Hong Kong 13 years ago he was told by his Director that the only rules about typhoons were there were no rules. He might have been a little embarrassed after 30 years in Hong Kong, but from what the speaker had seen, here he was inclined to agree with this statement.

Every typhoon has to be treated on its merits of damage. Mr. Starbuck continued.

"Confining ourselves now to our own particular region and to our own brand of typhoons, cyclones, typhoons these usually form in the Pacific, well east of the Philippines, pursue WNW track and tend to recurve parabolically early and late in the season of frequency.

Good Outpost

"Fortunately we have an admirable outpost in Pratas, which lying ESE of the Colony, is in an excellent situation for indicating course, intensity and speed of travel. In addition to the typhoons, forming east of the Philippines, there are a few irritating specimens which actually start up in the China Sea, in the proportion of about one to four.

The sad occurrences of 1906—a China Sea typhoon—evolve my sympathy, both for the suffering inhabitants of this Colony and for the loudly criticized Director of the Royal Observatory of that time, who really hadn't a chance.

The figures I am giving you are the results of statistical survey into nearly a thousand typhoons recorded by the Royal Observatory since its inception in 1884.

"Of these only three occurred in February, 191 in August and 189 in September. From what I have said about the normal directions of typhoons it will be no surprise to you to learn that 57 typhoons which gave gale force or greater in Hong Kong from 1884 to 1939, none approached from the NW, 2 from the NE, 3 from the S.W. and 52 from the SE.

Warning To Extortionists

People who board an excursion vessel which has no license, life-saving appliances do so at their own risk, the Marine Department said yesterday in a public notice.

The Director of Marine, J. Jolly, said that owners of private yachts and other vessels used solely for pleasure purposes should at all times ensure that they have on board efficient life-saving appliances for the number of passengers carried.

The general public was also warned that they should satisfy themselves that there are sufficient life-saving appliances on board before embarking on excursion vessels.

Philippine Orchestra Coming

The Municipal Symphony Orchestra of Manila, due in Hong Kong at the end of this month, is expected to give a concert at the China Fleet Club.

Arrangements are at present being made by the Philippine Consulate here for the Club Concert Hall to be requisitioned for the occasion, but the date and time of the performance have not yet been fixed.

The Orchestra, made up of 72 instrumentalists, three soloists and two conductors, will sail from Manila on the General Gordon on July 29 to begin a concert tour which includes Shanghai and Hawaii as well as Hong Kong. The tour was arranged with the help of the United States Embassy.

According to an Associated Press message from Manila, the concert is arranged for July 31 in Hong Kong, then at Shanghai on August 4 and finally nine concerts at Hawaii, beginning at Honolulu on August 17.

Co-ed Experiment Successful

St. Paul's College reported the successful completion of three years' post war experiment as a co-educational institution yesterday when it held its annual speech day.

The certificates and prizes were distributed by the Director of Education, Mr. M. G. O'Connor, who congratulated the Headmaster, staff and students on their success, particularly in the matriculation examination. It was a great achievement, he said, considering the setback caused by the war years.

Mr. O'Connor also referred to the work of the Boys' and Girls' Clubs in which the College had taken a keen interest. He urged all those about to leave school not to lose sight of this side of social service.

Sir Robert Kotewall, Chairman of the College Council, was absent due to indisposition, and Sir Shouson Chow, President, presided.

The report of the Headmaster, Mr. E. G. Stewart, read in part: The school has now completed its third year as a co-educational institution. It is too early yet to say whether this experiment, which was started as an emergency measure during the difficult period of school rehabilitation in 1945, will prove an unqualified success, but it can certainly be said that the results have up to the present proved eminently satisfactory.

Too Many Pupils

The highest monthly enrolment during the year was 1,506, including 830 in the Middle School, 223 in the Primary, and 152 in the Kindergarten. Of the total 56 per cent were boys, a slightly higher percentage than in the previous year.

These numbers are too high. Under present conditions, however, it is well-nigh impossible to reduce the numbers. At the commencement of the school year we were able to accommodate only a very small fraction of those who applied.

For admission in the particular class, Class 2, there were 108 applicants (42, these vacancies in both 1947 and 1948, our Matriculation class was oversubscribed). Last year 14 candidates passed the Hong Kong Matriculation Examination. In the School Certificate Examination, 19 passed, three with Honours.

In January this year seven candidates passed the Cambridge Local in the recent Hong Kong Matriculation 35 candidates passed, with a total of 10 Distinctions. Mok Sau-tun having the honour of winning four.

Prize List

Certificates and prizes were presented to the following students:

Certificates: Class 1.—Chan Hong-ching; Chan Hong-ming; Chan Kail-hem; Chang Yau-min; Chiu Pui-lo; Chow Sik-tung; Fan Shuk-kwan; Ho Yu-yung; Hui Yu-kia; Leung Sze-ching; Lo Shu-lan; Ma Shiu-lun; Mok Sau-tun; Mok Sau-ree; Shum Loung-sang; Tam Sal-Kit; Tam Wal-han; Tsang Yee-mei; Wong Wal-sun; Rose Woo; Gloria Woo; Yiu Chi-chui; Yeung Ying-yung.

Senior Middle 3.—Chan Foon-lun; Chan King-cheung; Chan Wai-hui; Chan Wing-huen; Fan Man-shuen; Ho Yuen-man; Lam Kwok-lai; Ng Shu-hay Tam Mo-hin; Wong Chi-lun; Yeung Pong-wo; Yeung Tse-ki.

Basketball Team Captains: Boys Senior—Kwok Che-shuen; Girls Senior—Lee King-yuen; Girls—Wong Shu-lun.

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Secrecy Surrounds Meeting At Hague.

Lawyers Object To Levy

Shanghai, July 20.
Declaring the proposed property tax both unconstitutional and against the legislative policy of the Chinese Government, the Shanghai Lawyers Association has sent a petition to the Legislative Yuan, urging rejection of the measure.

Proposed by 49 members of the Legislative Yuan, the draft property tax has passed initial examination of the Investigation Committee and is to be presented now to the Yuan's general meeting in Nanking, either today or tomorrow.

The petition charged that in spite of lofty phrases in which the text of the proposed law is couched, the application of such a levy could not but be inequitable and impractical.

The levy will be disastrous to the country and to the people and will in all probability cause a flight of capital out of China, the petition added.

Under the proposed new law, both capital and property would be taxed. The law has been described by opposing legislators as aimed at soaking the poor.—Reuter.

CZECH GENERAL A FUGITIVE

Washington, July 19.
Czechoslovakia's most senior Army general, Antonin Bohumil Hasal, was reported today to have fled to the American occupation zone of Germany.

United States Government officials said he escaped several weeks ago.

M. Vachek-Majer, former Czech Food Minister and leader of the anti-Communist wing in the Czechoslovak Social Democrat Party, arrived at London Airport today from Frankfurt after escaping from Prague during the Sokol Youth Festival.

He reached the United States Zone of Germany last week. M. Majer, who declined to reveal the method of his escape, left by car for an undisclosed destination. During the war, he served as a Czechoslovak Army officer in Britain.—Reuter.

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11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Close Down.

WESTERN UNION CONVERSATIONS

The Hague, July 19.
The Foreign Ministers of the five Western Union countries—Britain, France and the Benelux—met secretly here today and were believed to be discussing a plan to build, with the United States, a "North Atlantic regional defence" scheme.

The Ministers are meeting for two days as the Consultative Council of the Western Union, created in Paris last April.

Envoys of Canada, South Africa and Australia met Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, and the British delegation at dinner last night at the British Embassy. (The Dominions of New Zealand, India and Pakistan are not represented diplomatically at The Hague).

No official statement has been made on the Foreign Ministers' agenda, but they are expected to discuss the Berlin crisis as well as the seven-power talks now going on in Washington for North Atlantic regional defence in which the United States and Canada would bolster the existing Western Union plan.

They are also expected to discuss trade between the five states; travel facilities; and a report on collaboration in the overseas territories dependent on Britain, France, Belgium and Holland.

This morning's session opened with a welcome by the Dutch Foreign Minister, Baron Carel van Boetzeler. Van Oosterhout, to which the French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bidault, replied, referring to the meeting as a step towards realising the common objectives of peace and reconstruction—"a step taken in the first place by us five and perhaps, later, with others."

Observers speculated on whether M. Bidault's reference to others joining the Western Union reflected a decision already taken to widen the scope of the alliance or whether it merely expressed the hope that the example of the Western Union would spread to other parts of Europe.

Economic and financial problems were discussed next and

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Economic Council Meeting

Geneva, July 19.
Britain's Minister of State, Mr. Hector McNeill, and Russia's representative, M. Arlutunian, are expected to play leading roles in the six-weeks meeting of the Economic and Social Council, the first principal organ of the United Nations to meet in Europe, which began its seventh session here today.

The 18-member Council had a record agenda of 50 items, and among the conference reports to be studied are those on freedom of information and of the press, on trade and employment, and on the conservation and utilisation of the world's resources.

The World Federation of Trade Unions and the American Federation of Trade Unions have each made highly controversial reports to the Council.

Opening the seventh session, Dr. Charles Malik, of the Lebanon, President of the Council, today declared that the United Nations Security Council, with its highly political nature, would become superfluous of the Economic and Social Council lived up fully to what the United Nations Charter expected of it.

"Everybody recognises," said Dr. Malik, "that the ultimate problems of Europe are economic and social. That is why so much effort is being exerted in the East and West of Europe to face and solve these problems."—Reuter.

Methodist Appeal

Bristol, July 19.
The Methodist Church in England today urged churchmen throughout the world to give "high priority" to the problem of easing the plight of the second world war's homeless refugees.

The Methodist conference at Bristol adopted a resolution calling for collective church action. The resolution was passed after the Rev. Henry Carter, chairman of the Christian Council for Refugees, told the conference: "The awful thing about it is that 12,000,000 people have been uprooted not as an after-effect of war, but because of the deliberate policy of the victorious powers."—Associated Press.

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US DEMANDS APOLOGY FROM CZECHS

Prague, July 19.
The United States Military authorities today denied the Czech charges that the American CIC had sent spies and assassins into Czechoslovakia and demanded an apology and retraction.

The United States Embassy announced that it has transmitted a stiff note to the Czech Foreign Office this evening from headquarters in Frankfurt.

The note stated that no American military organisation had anything to do with the alleged terrorist bands which the Ministries of National Defence and Interior declared on Saturday had been sent into Czechoslovakia by Czech refugees and sponsored by CIC.

The note demanded an immediate retraction of all charges involving Americans and an apology to the American authorities.

It expressed "astonishment" that charges such as these involving a friendly power which resisted in the liberation of Czechoslovakia were issued by the official press agency without any prior word to the Embassy or any other American authorities.

The charges which the note denied, were contained in a lengthy joint communiqué issued by the Ministries of Interior and National Defence on Saturday afternoon announcing the arrest of 70 persons on charges of assassination, espionage, and terrorism, whose operations were said to be directed by Czech CIC agents and CIC itself.

Prague Sunday papers displayed the communiqué under headlines such as "American agents sent in to murder the Czechs."—United Press.

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CONFAB ON BERLIN

Truman Confers With Cabinet Consultations On New Note To The Kremlin

Washington, July 19.

As all coal stocks in the Western sectors of Berlin were frozen this morning as the Soviet blockade of these areas continued to worsen the already serious shortages there, American determination to stay in Berlin and to continue to air-lift supplies into the beleaguered zones was re-affirmed following a meeting between President Truman and Mr. George Marshall today.

During the conference, which lasted 30 minutes, Mr. Marshall informed the President of the latest developments in Berlin and, directly afterwards, Mr. Truman conferred with Cabinet members.

They included the Secretary for Defence, Mr. James Forrestal, the Assistant Secretary of State, Mr. Robert Lovett, the Secretary for the Army, Mr. Kenneth Royall, and the Assistant Secretary for the Army, Mr. William Draper, who recently arrived in Washington from Berlin.

A Government spokesman declared, after the conference, that the attitude of the United States towards Berlin was unchanged. He added that consultations regarding a new demarche to Moscow were still proceeding among the United States, British and French Governments.

Sources close to the State Department declared today that Mr. Truman and Mr. Marshall discussed the Berlin situation in the light of two main considerations—the United States' desire to exhaust all possibilities to break the deadlock by diplomatic and political means; and to proceed in such a way that the Soviets would, unquestionably, be responsible in the event of any incidents, such as a collision between American and Russian planes.

The same sources stressed the fact that attempts to force the blockade of Berlin were entirely out of the picture for the time being.

New Demarche

The United States' position concerning Berlin was stated to be as follows: The United States will continue to air-lift supplies and will not leave Berlin, whatever pressure is exerted by the Soviets. The United States is preparing a new demarche to Moscow on Berlin.

If there are any new incidents, the Soviets will be responsible. Observers here believed that there is a difference of views between American political leaders in Washington and American military chiefs in Germany as to the latter's attitude towards what to do if and when the weather deteriorates to such an extent as to make the air-lift of supplies impossible while the former desire that Moscow should unmistakably be the aggressor if the air-lift is interfered with.

It is pointed out here that any attempt to force the blockade by land would be branded by Moscow as aggression.

Yaks In Berlin

Meanwhile a flight of Russian Yak fighter planes arrived in Berlin from the Soviet zone of Germany today and did a bit of aerobatics as they passed over the British field in the German capital. A British official said Russian authorities had notified the four-power air control centre some time earlier that the Yaks would be flying into the Berlin area. He said they did not interfere with Allied air-lift operations into the Soviet blockaded city. There were two versions of what the Russian pilots did as they passed over Gatow airport, the British base.

American officers reported that a formation of 12 Yaks appeared and that two of them swept down to "buzz" the field. They also said the two fighters then zoomed upward and made a "belly pass" at an American C-54 transport plane passing the field.

The US officers expressed the opinion that the Russians had mistaken the British field for their own, which is only about six miles away.

Track Torn Up

A British official said that between eight and 10 Yaks flew over Gatow "doing rolls." He said a short time before a single Russian fighter flew "in the vicinity" of an American C-54 which was passing the field. He said it did not make a mock attack on the US plane.

The French flagged newspaper Der Kurier reported today that ten miles of track between Magdeburg and Marienborn, on the railway line formerly used by the Western

The message added that repairs are going on at "rapid tempo".

While the Russian press has taken a serious view of the German situation as a whole, particularly the six Power decision on Western Germany, it has never taken a gloomy view of the Berlin situation.

Pronouncements in London and Washington of a grave situation in world affairs brought on by Berlin have not been repeated nor reflected in Moscow.

The view here seems to be that some progress could be made on the entire situation. The Russian people realise the situation is serious but there is no alarmist talk here now.

Publication of the Russian reply to the American, British and French notes on Berlin caused considerable stir and comment, but it appears to have died down.

Coal Board Profits

London, July 19. The National Coal Board announced tonight that it had made an estimated profit of more than £200,000 on the operation of the nationalised coal industry during the first quarter of this year.

The announcement came a few days after the disclosure that the industry had lost £23,250,000 during the first year of nationalisation—Rout.

WAR WITH RUSSIA -- IF

Wichita, Kansas, July 19.

The Secretary of the Interior Julius Krug, said today there will be war with Russia if she continues to believe that she can overrun other countries.

Krug said, "But we still have a chance to make Russia see the light. Our only hope for a permanent peace is to have the country so strong that the Russians will not dare make a move of aggression."

"Recent developments in Berlin demonstrate the Government's wisdom in reopening the draft. The draft is vitally necessary for the nucleus of the armed services."—United Press.

GERMAN REDS DISCARD HAMMER AND SICKLE

Munich, July 20.

The Communist party of Southern Germany will abandon the Russian red star and the hammer and sickle as its emblem in what looks like an attempt to persuade the public that it does its own thinking, independent of Moscow.

Further, a party spokesman said, it does not intend to be linked with the Cominform. This development was announced by Hugo Erlich, deputy chairman of Bavaria's Communist, who said:

"We are a German party. We stand for German interests. The abandonment of the Soviet star and the hammer and sickle shall make it clear that we haven't any dealings with the Soviet Union. As a German party we haven't any connection with Moscow."

American Military Government officials and leaders of other German parties were sceptical of the Communists' plans. Albert Schweizer, head of the political activities division in Bavaria, said he had been told the Communists intended to go underground in Bavaria and this might be one way of doing it. Other Allied authorities said the Communists may merely be trying to win more votes and support.—Associated Press.

Three Military Governors Meet In Berlin

French Hesitant On West German State

Berlin, July 19.

The Military Governors for Western Germany announced today that they had agreed to meet the German Ministers-President on Tuesday in Frankfurt to discuss their counter-proposals to Allied plans for a West German state.

In the background, meanwhile, according to reliable sources, was a growing hesitancy by the French to push the plans through—a reluctance increased by the tension between East and West.

A conference with the eleven Ministers-President of the British, American and French zones was postponed last week at the request of the French.

After today's four-hour session of the Military Governors, high American officials said that Tuesday's meeting "will have nothing to do with any final action" on the proposed West German Government.

The Military Governors "will try to get a clarification from the Ministers-President of their proposals," these officials said.

Gen. Lucius D. Clay and Gen. Pierre Koenig met the British Military Governor, Gen. Sir Brian Robertson, at the latter's headquarters in Berlin.

Before the meeting at which the German proposals were examined, reliable Allied sources said one aim was to overcome French reluctance to establish the envisaged West German state. This would exist in fact if not in name even under the German proposals.

German Fears

Today's official statement on the meeting said no other subjects such as the Soviet blockade of Berlin were discussed. The three Commanders first presented the Allied plans for a Western German state to the German zonal heads about a month ago. This was followed

on July 8 by German counter-proposals.

German leaders said their proposals, reached at a conference in the French zone city of Coblenz, arose out of fears that they would be accused of "splitting Germany" by carrying through plans for a Western Germany.

As a result they proposed a weaker version of the London recommendations substituting for a Government and an organisational or administrative statute for a constitution.

A report published abroad that the United States asked Britain and France at the meeting to join a forcible breaking of the Berlin blockade was denied tonight by both General Lucius D. Clay's office and official British sources.

The report was not carried by the Associated Press.

It was pointed out that such a move would be a governmental matter which could not be handled at this level.

An official British statement said "the Berlin situation was not included in the agenda for the meeting between the three Western Allied Governors in Berlin today. The discussion held did not include any aspect of the Berlin situation or any additional method of overcoming the blockade."—Associated Press.



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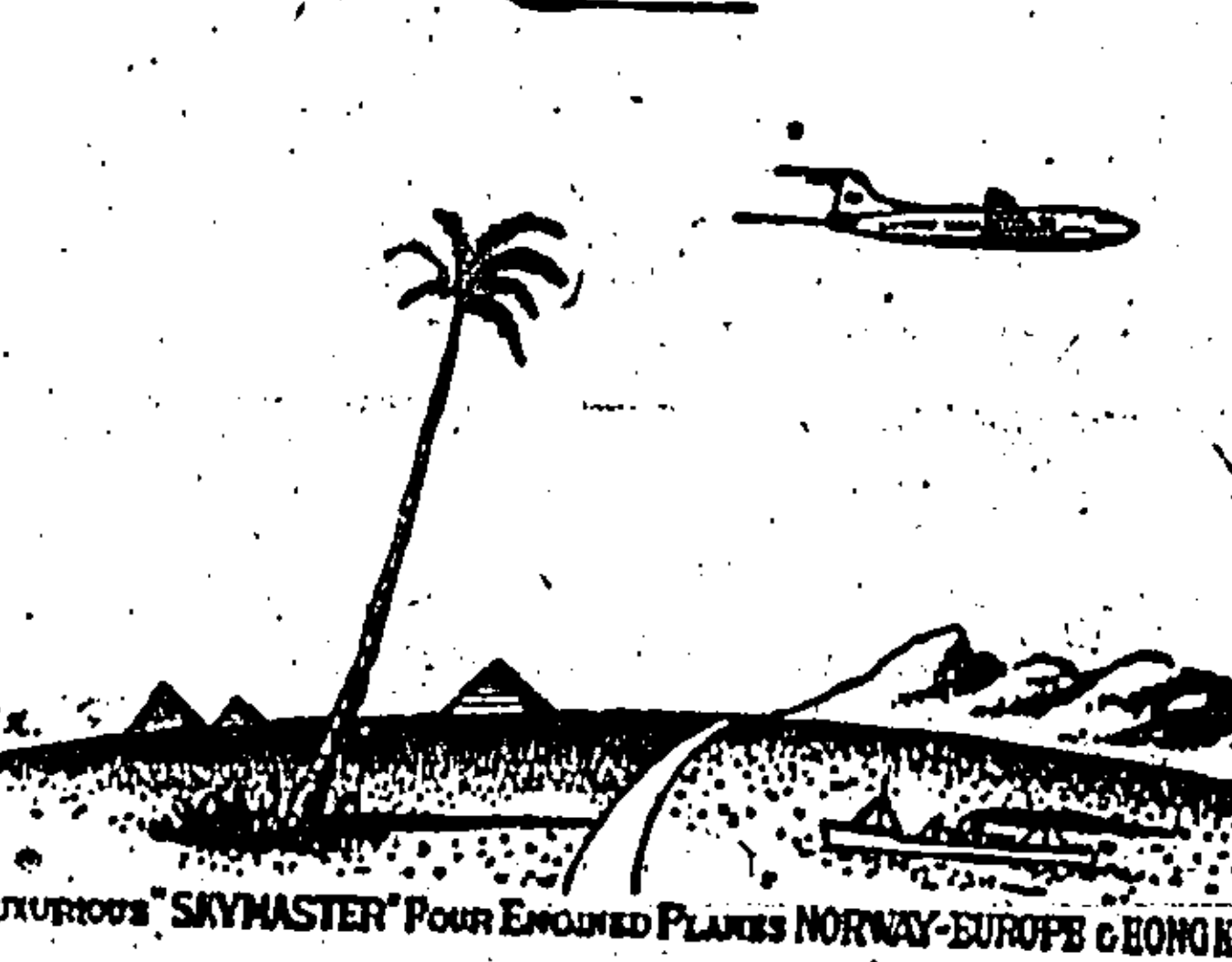
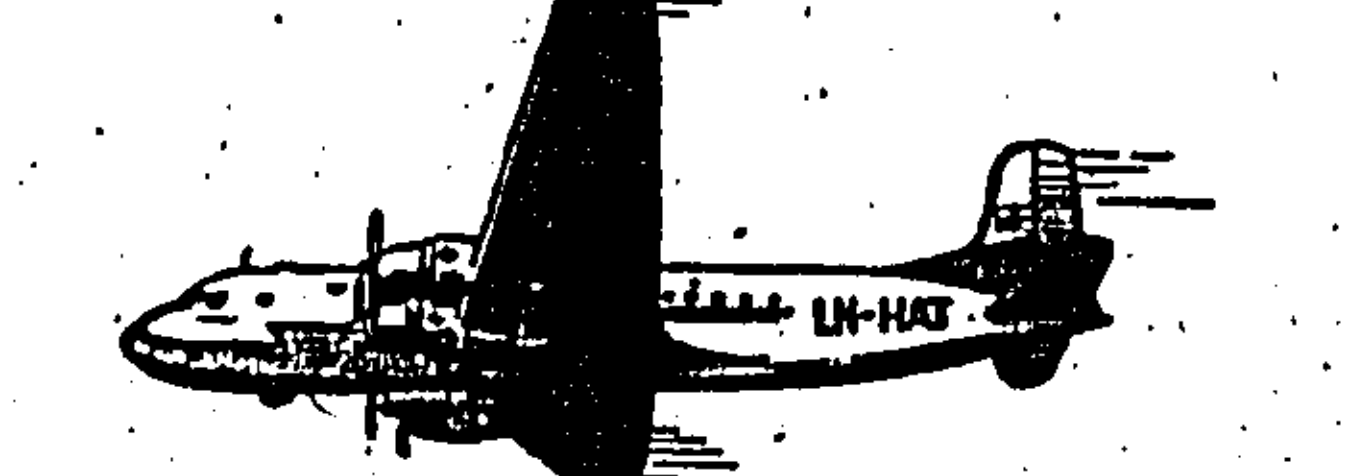
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They will peep from beneath long, sweeping evening gowns and can make or mar your facial expression—for tired, aching feet leave their mark on your face. Relaxed feet mean a relaxed mind. Pander to your feet by gently massaging them with scented oils and colognes and cooling them with a fragrant foot bath.

To get your feet looking as attractive as they should, and feeling as comfortable as you would want, first soak them in hot water (as hot as you can bear) to which you have added some boracic. Dry them well (remember in between your toes) and dust them with boracic this time.

Pedicures

Remove any dead skin that might be on the soles by scraping with a sterilised razor blade. There are special chiro-pody knives available for this purpose, but the razor blade will suffice. Keep cutting the dead skin until the surface feels smooth.

A pedicure must be a vital part of your health and beauty routine, so make sure you pedicure your feet as religiously as you manicure your hands. When you pedicure your nails,

cut them straight across, never oval or curved, unless you want some nice in-grown toenails made to order for you. A good plan to harden the feet is to massage them every night with methylated spirit.

The "E" Plan

To make (and keep) your feet supple exercise them for a least five minutes a day. Roll your toes over glass marbles. Train your toes to pick up small objects. Picking up small objects like a pencil will strengthen the tendons.

Sad about you that your ankles are not slim and shapely. If the bone-structure is large, your ankles won't whittle away to nothing overnight, no matter what you do.

But if your ankles are large merely because they are encased in rolls of fat, exercise is the solution. Persevere with these:

EXERCISE 1. Without shoes, raise yourself on your toes and walk around the room for a few minutes, feeling the muscles pulling and stretching all the time.

EXERCISE 2. With legs extended in front of you, while in a sitting position, rotate the right ankle to the left and then to the right about 30 times. Change feet and repeat.

EXERCISE 3. Stand on tip-toe on left foot and bend right knee up as high as you can. Hop gently on left foot, at same time making a circle with the right foot. Repeat with other leg.

Is yours the sad tale about the girl who bought cheap shoes and paid the penalty the rest of the summer by being tortured with pinched toes, corns and bunions, aching, depressed arches and thoroughly irritable disposition?

If corns have come your way, see your chiropodist right away. He (or she) will remove those corns and callouses for a very reasonable charge, and you will be able to step forth into summer a foot-worshiping person, instead of squealing every time you see a hot tarred road.

While we're still on this corny subject if you are not absolutely more corn than foot and have only a "pet" one, it might re-act to some corn ointment. Dab some corn ointment on it and cover with a corn plaster to prevent any pressure and keep the ointment in place.

After you have done this a few times, bathe the foot in hot water to which you have added some bath salts. After this, you should be able to lift the corn out.

Puffy feet and ankles are often caused by the lack of liquid in the diet. Perspiration rides us of most of our liquid intake during the summer and then there is insufficient water in the system to stimulate the kidneys.

So promise yourself you will drink at least two extra pints of water, fruit juices or any liquid at all—but preferably water—during the summer months.

Walk with your head held high, shoulders back and feet pointing straight ahead into a summer that will not be complicated by foot troubles.

STAGE AND SOCIETY

Many of the London stage personalities and a big group of London society turned out recently to a Theatrical Garden Party held in aid of the Actors Orphanage. The world of the theatre vied with the world of plain fashion for the dressing honours of the day, and Edna McKenna and Berill here present their "look-ins" at the gowns worn.

1. Pat Kirkwood wore a pink shepherds dress with an all-over design in large grey roses. 2. Mario Sallars made her own dress. In reseda green fine wool, it had a peg-top skirt with draped pockets and a dainty lace-trimmed yoke. The Renold bonnet to match was trimmed with pink roses.

3. Sheila Douglas Pennant chose a near ankle-length dress in navy taffeta, with fitted bodice and full skirt. Crisp white lace acted as trimming, and her white straw halo decorated with white lilacs.

4. Constance Cummings wore a dress in pale cyclamen, with a bolero effect. Ostich plumes in black and cyclamen made her hot.

5. The Empire dress of Moira Lester had a navy and white striped top and a plain skirt. The fly-away jacket was in grosgrain, and the picture hat and bag striped to match.



Glamour is more than Using the Right Make-up

Make-up and Glamour go hand in hand—but first of all, you have to be sure that what you are doing with your face is what suits it best. Listen to CLAUDIA, while she tells you of the pitfalls in make-up.

Make-up is the technique of face-making; the means by which we make over our faces into something better than they are in their natural condition. They must, of course, be recognisable, for no woman of sense... to say

nothing of sensibility would wish to carry face-making to the point of a complete disguise.

So what is the real point of making up our faces? What are we aiming at when we go to work with all the multitude of "aids to beauty" which the modern art of make-up provides? Surely the ideal at which we aim is a skillful gilding of the lily, a subtlety of expression, addition and subtraction, lending Art to Nature, to bring nature nearer to perfection.

The first step is to study your face, analyse each feature, make your mental record of good and bad points without fear or favour. This can only be honestly done while your face is quite devoid of make-up... and if you are apt to look at yourself through rather rose tinted spectacles (you ought to know!) discard them too.

Tweezing

Eyebrows can be attended to before the main business of making-up begins. They may be too thick, too uneven, or too close together. They may be well shaped apart from the inevitable little "stragglers." Judicious streamlining and tidying up with an efficient pair of tweezers will improve their shape and appearance without reducing them to a thin-plucked line.

Now study your colour... NOT the colour of your hair, but the colour of your skin. Dark hair does not mean a dark skin, nor does fair hair necessarily mean a light one. Whatever type of foundation you choose, the tone and texture MUST be right for your

skin. A make-up base which does something for the skin shade makes the biggest contribution to the final success of your make-up.

In my experience, in choosing tinted foundations, most women err on the side of selecting tints which are a fraction lighter than the skin. This is quite wrong. It is far better to be realistic about your skin and then choose a tint which is slightly darker. The effect will be not only more attractive, but more natural as well.

Then, if you like, you may use a lighter shade of powder... just a hint lighter, so that it gives the face a glow.

Shading

For choosing shades, here are three tips. If you have a rich natural colour, try to match your skin tone exactly. If your skin is pale or sallow, choose a warmer, deeper tint which will lend a touch of colour to your skin. If, on the other hand, your skin is inclined to be florid and flushes easily, choose a creamy shade, a deep rachel tint, which will tone down the colour.

When you have decided on the right place for your rouge, do stick to it, and if you experiment with slightly different positions... a good thing in itself... do it at home, when none but you can see. For rouge which appears in a different place every day is the greatest give-away of all.

The best spot for the main dab is usually your well-fund, just where your natural colour appears. And that, if you try it and see, is just about on the highlight of your smile. I don't believe that there are any satisfactory hard and fast rules about placing rouge. Each of us has to carry out our own secret experiments.

Remember only that too much rouge, carelessly applied, has been the worst culprit in giving make-up a bad name in the past... so be discreet and clever. The powder to finish your make-up may be lighter than

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the base... in fact, your exact skin colouring. Heavy make-up right out, so you will powder with a light hand pressing gently on to the skin and dusting away the surplus with a soft complexion brush.

Yellow Touch

In the hot, sticky weather, you will be well advised to go very lightly indeed around the mouth and chin where the oil glands congregate. And if the acidity in your skin affects the colour of the powder, making it turn yellow, avoid all the yellow tints of powder, which contain ochre, and stick to the beige or peachy tones.

After making-up with foundation, rouge and powder, comes the delicate task of eye and brow make-up. Eyeshadow is usually reserved for evening wear these days. Applied away from the nose, it makes the eyes look farther apart.

Lip Lightness

Lips have always been a source of temptation for dramatic experiment in make-up alterations! So many girls get a kick out of making over their lips to unusual shapes and sizes, when their efforts could be far better employed in learning how to tone down or enhance other features. Lips should never be drastically shrunk. They can be encouraged to look fuller, thinner, longer or shorter by the skillful placing of the outline... but no more, please, or you run the risk of defeating your own ends.

Today's Treasure Box: A Fine Bag

Perfect tribute to the New Look that's the most eye-opening, most talked-about event in fashion, is a shoulder bag. A treasure to the style-wise and women of many affluence because it's the answer to the problem of having to tote bag plus brief-case... carries everything required to complete the business of the day and looks as feminine as though its only purpose were to hold cosmetics and hankies. By no means confined to one time of day, shoulder bags are often translated into elaborate fabrics for evening luxury. Among these is a shimmering satin bag studded with gleaming sequins to complement a magnificent black satin dress. One of the more unusual best-looking shoulder bags were seen was draped over the shoulder of a model in a black dress with a white collar.

Shoulder bags with ornate designs and patterns are also popular. One of the most interesting was a black bag with a white collar. The bag was draped over the shoulder of a model in a black dress with a white collar.

ADVICE FROM AN EXPERT

Hollywood makeup expert Perc. Westmore, who has glamorized dozens of film stars, gives this advice for successful makeup:

"Beauty is lost by fooling too much with nature," he says. "Don't worry about technical points of makeup—just be sure whatever beauty aids you do use are kept subtle, fine, and discreet."

Plan hair and makeup first, then work your wardrobe to supply the background.

To minimise wrinkles round the eyes, be sure not to squint when you powder your face.

Fashions in mouth shapes change, but colour should always be applied in curves.

For eyes and brows: Before applying mascara, use a wool-tipped orange stick dipped in water to remove all powder traces which clog the mascara.

Most mascaras give a more natural look to eyelashes if the brush is dampened with skin freshener instead of water.

Brushing hair daily with a brush through which twisted strands of cottonwool have been twined is effective in maintaining a polished look.

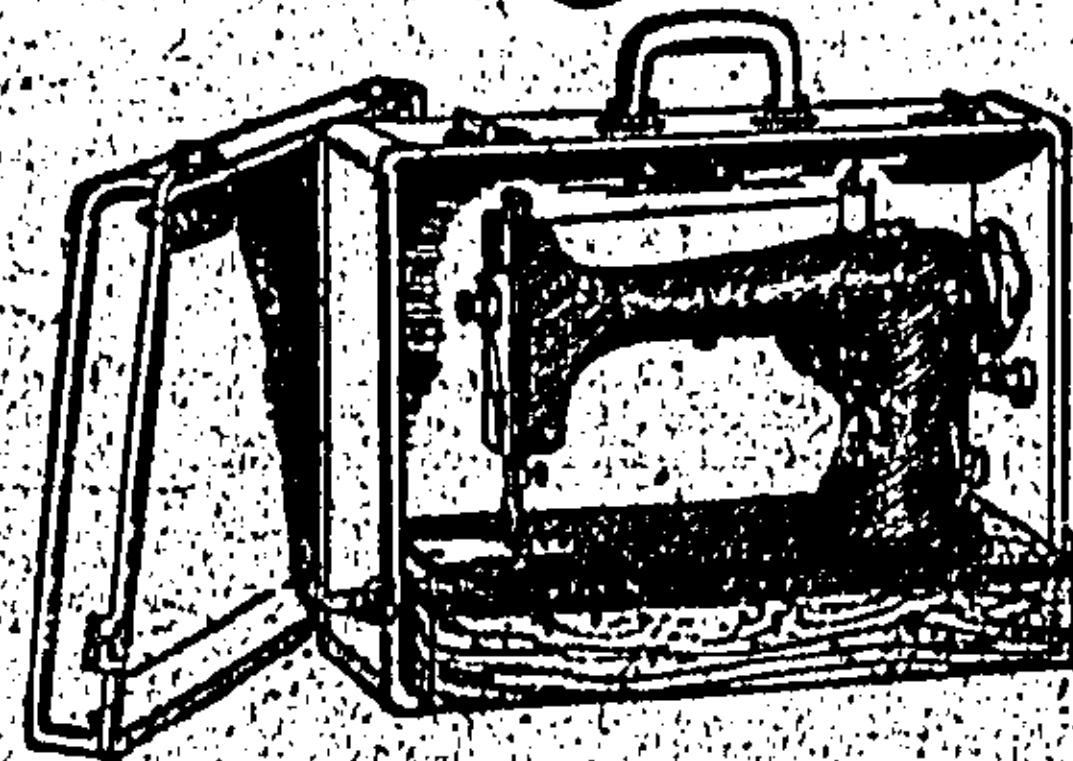
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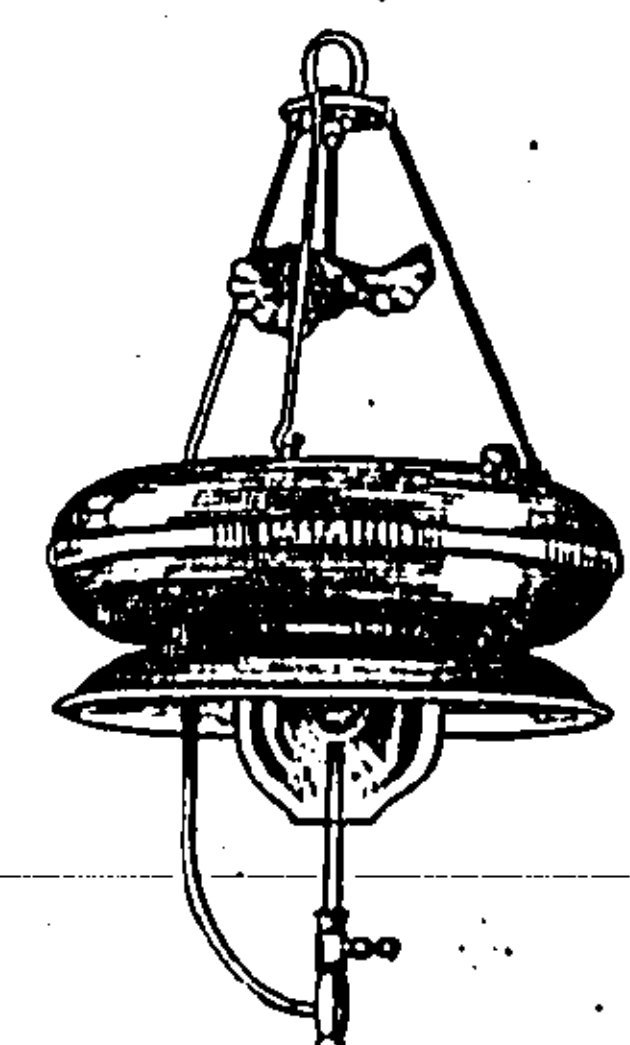
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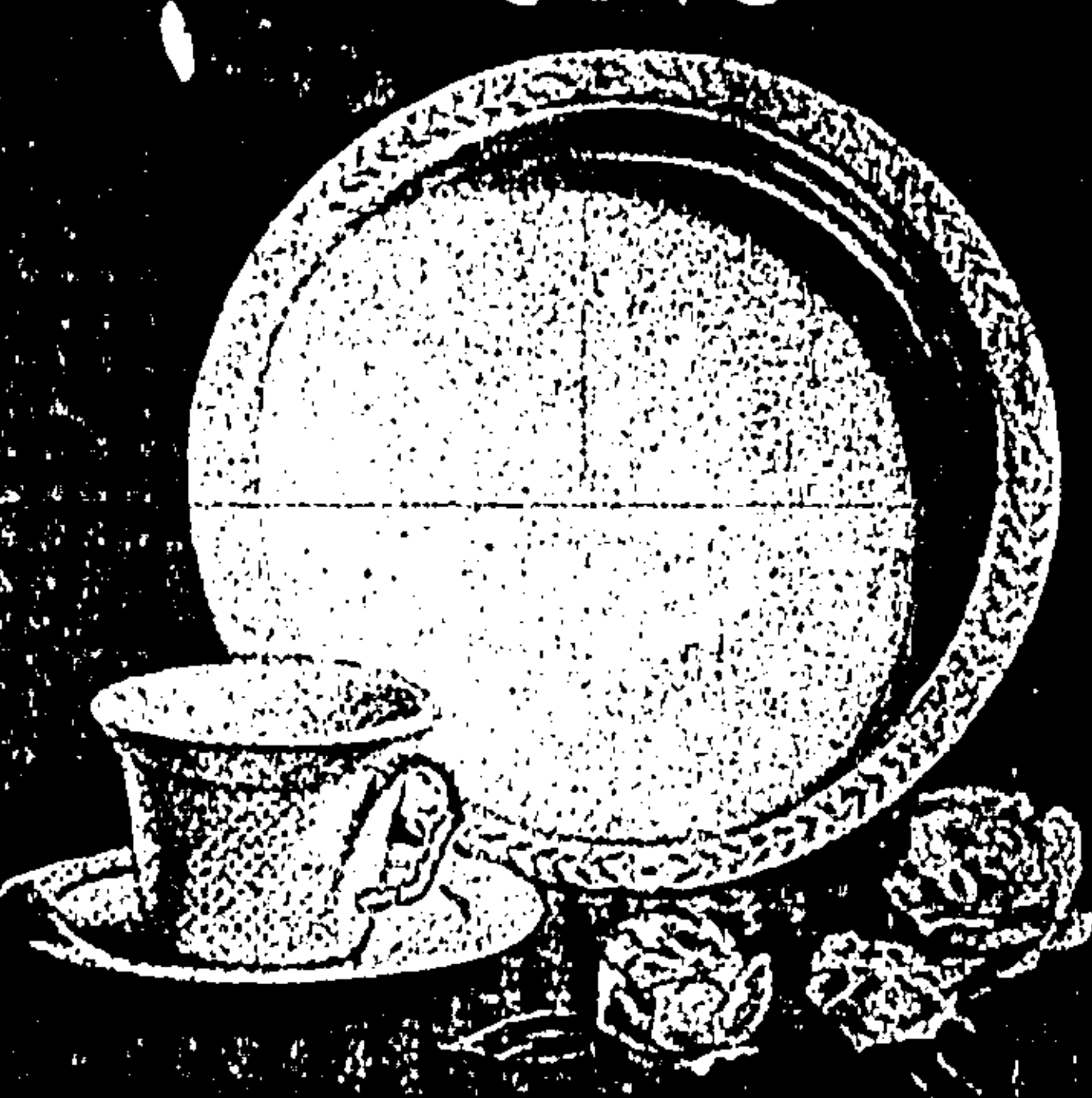
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London, July 19. Overseas buyers packed into a small room in London's fashionable Grosvenor House today to see the newest of the "New Look" as expressed by top-line British dress designers when Britain's first Government-sponsored Fashion Fortnight opened.

Buyers from Australia, New Zealand and South Africa craned over each other's shoulders as Mr. John Boleher, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, formally declared "Fashion Fortnight" open.

They were relieved to find, they said, that the styles were moderate because exaggerated fashions could not be sold in small countries. The skirt lengths shown varied from calf length to just above the ankle, and among other features were small waists, full and pencil skirts, dipping waists, stand-up collars, shawl collars, novelty peplums, wide shiny leather belts, extensive braiding and unusual pockets.

An Indian woman, aloof from fashion change, looked cool in the crowded room in a muslim sari. Today's opening show was given by the Mantle and Costume Manufacturers' export group, representing 26 firms.—Reuter.

ACTOR PLEADS GUILTY

Manila, July 19. A plea of guilty was entered by movie actor Bernardo Anzures to two charges of murder arising from the death of actress Lillian Velez and her maid Pacita.

When Judge Oscar Castelo of the Quezon City court asked "Anzures" if he was aware of the consequences of his plea, he said clearly, "Yes, Sir."

Anzures' attorney Maximo Calalang tried vainly to have arraignment postponed. He claimed the report of Government psychiatrists "incomplete and full of inconsistencies."

The psychiatrists held Anzures was "ill with obsessive neurosis of a compulsive type" with very little realization of the difference between right and wrong. At the same time, they said, Anzures committed the crimes while in complete possession of his faculties.

The psychiatrists—who were members of the staff of the National Psychopathic Hospital, were named in the report which was read in court before Anzures' plea was entered.

Judge Castelo ruled not every "mental aberration" was an indication of insanity and refused to allow Calalang to make reservation allowing Anzures to change his plea if subsequent findings proved he was insane. No date was set for the trial.—Associated Press.

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Singapore, July 19. Communist guerrillas today ambushed and killed four Malay policemen and wounded a Chinese detective in a jeep 10 miles southeast of Kajang, where the Communist leader, Law Yaw, was killed last week.

Gurkhas in the same area today killed a guerilla and arrested five others carrying important documents.

The gang who ambushed the jeep were believed also to be responsible for the death of a Gurkha lance corporal. The manager of the Gahau Estate, south of Kuala Lumpur, heard shots on the Jroma road this morning and later found the jeep overturned, with the four Malays dead and the detective wounded. They were on patrol from Martin further south.

One of the dead policeman was the officer in charge of Mantin police station. He had 25 years' service.

In the area of Kajang, Gurkhas burned a large quantity of military uniforms. Guerrillas fired on a force of detectives but there were no casualties.

For the first time since the end of the war, Malaya is strike-free, it was officially announced today.

Police Captured

A Spitfire today made a reconnaissance of the Guanting area, Kelantan, where an instructor and 13 policemen were captured on Saturday when they ran out of ammunition after holding 300 terrorists at bay for 90 minutes.

The Spitfire pilot reported there was "no movement" in the district today. First news of the attack was received at Kuala Lumpur early today when a wounded constable, who had escaped and trekked 80 miles through the jungle, reached the city.

Unconfirmed reports said Beratan, 35 miles north of Guanting, was in the hands of guerrillas. Military operations are taking place in that area.

Three Chinese who failed to report to the police that they knew of persons possessing firearms and ammunition, were sentenced to two years hard labour by an Ipoh court today. This is the first such case under the new Malayan emergency regulations.

Arms Licences

In London, a Board of Trade spokesman told Reuter that applications to import British firearms into Malaya are being subject to even more rigorous scrutiny than normal to prevent their getting into wrong hands.

Commenting on reports from Singapore that the Board of Trade had stopped granting licences, the spokesman said there



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Big Bang In Australia

Canberra, July 19. British scientists will go to Australia next April to participate in experiments on high explosives. Thousands of tons of bombs now dumped in New Guinea will be piled up here to prepare for a gigantic explosion.

Observers will watch the effects from points 50 miles from the centre of the explosion. The experiment will take place on the north shore of New Guinea.—Agence France-Press.

TRAITOR DIES

London, July 19. Margaret Frances Bothamley, who was sentenced to 12 months imprisonment at the Old Bailey in March 1946 for having served in the German wartime broadcasting service, died today in London. She was 69.

She told an interviewer in a Hamburg civil prison a month before she was sentenced in London that before the war she had been a member of the Anglo-German Fellowship and of "The Link" Organisation. She broadcast from 1940 to 1945, writing her own scripts for fees ranging from 30 to 60 marks. Features in which she took part included "Lady in a Mirror" and "Front Line Family".

She claimed that in January 1937 she secretly married a German, but lived with him only two or three days.—Associated Press.

"SECRET" RED ZONE IN AUSTRIA

Vienno, July 20.

The existence of a secret Soviet zone in Austria was officially disclosed today by the Soviet delegate to the Allied Control Council, General Shelvov.

The Austrian administration, having asked the Control Council to approve the setting up of a telephone line between Maria Neustift in the Soviet zone and Steyer in the United States zone of Austria, General Shelvov said that as the line was to pass through "a forbidden zone" he could not allow its installation.

The existence of a "forbidden Soviet zone" had not been revealed before and the other Allies expressed the utmost surprise in this connection.

The American delegate, General Keyes, pointed out that the existence of such limitations of sovereignty in a liberated country were contradictory to the elementary principles of Allied policy, which aimed at rendering Austria independent.—Agence France-Press.

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NATIONALITY MEASURE PASSES COMMONS

London, July 19.

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It will now go back to the House of Lords for reconsideration. The House of Lords, objecting to the word "citizen" because of its "Republican flavour", had earlier altered it "to British subject", but the House of Commons last week rejected this and restored the Bill to its original form.

The Bill provides a new method of giving effect to the principle that people of self-governing countries in the Commonwealth are citizens of their own countries and have a common status as members of the Commonwealth.

Lord Hinchinbrooke, Conservative, asked whether the representatives of India, Pakistan and Ceylon had indicated that if this Bill were passed, they would remain in the Empire, or longer or shorter time. Was the Bill designed to make it more difficult or easier to leave the Empire?

Would it stave off the communitarian of Burma?

Sir Hartley Shawcross, the Attorney General, said Lord Hinchinbrooke had "betrayed ignorance" about the purpose of the Bill by speaking about the position of Burma, not caring that Burma is not affected in the slightest degree by any provision in the Bill.

He thought the Bill was introduced in the hope of promoting Republicanism in the British Commonwealth. He thought wrong—if he thought at all. It was utterly untrue to suggest that the Bill interfered in the slightest degree with the existing status of British subjects or the allegiance of British subjects in the King.—Reuter.

STRIKE THREAT TO BBC

London, July 19.

Military bands will help keep radio listeners entertained when and if the Muslim Union's threatened strike takes place on Aug. 1.

The Union has asked the War Secretary to stop military bands from broadcasting during the period of the strike, but the BBC has stated that military bands will continue to play although not more than before.

Emergency plans to cope with the threatened strike were announced by the BBC last night. From 9.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. they will broadcast a "basic" service and many hours daily will be devoted to Test cricket and the Olympic Games.

After 6.00 p.m., light and home programmes will be divided until 11.00 p.m. The third programme will not be affected. Only 10 bands—the BBC's own house combinations—will remain unaffected.

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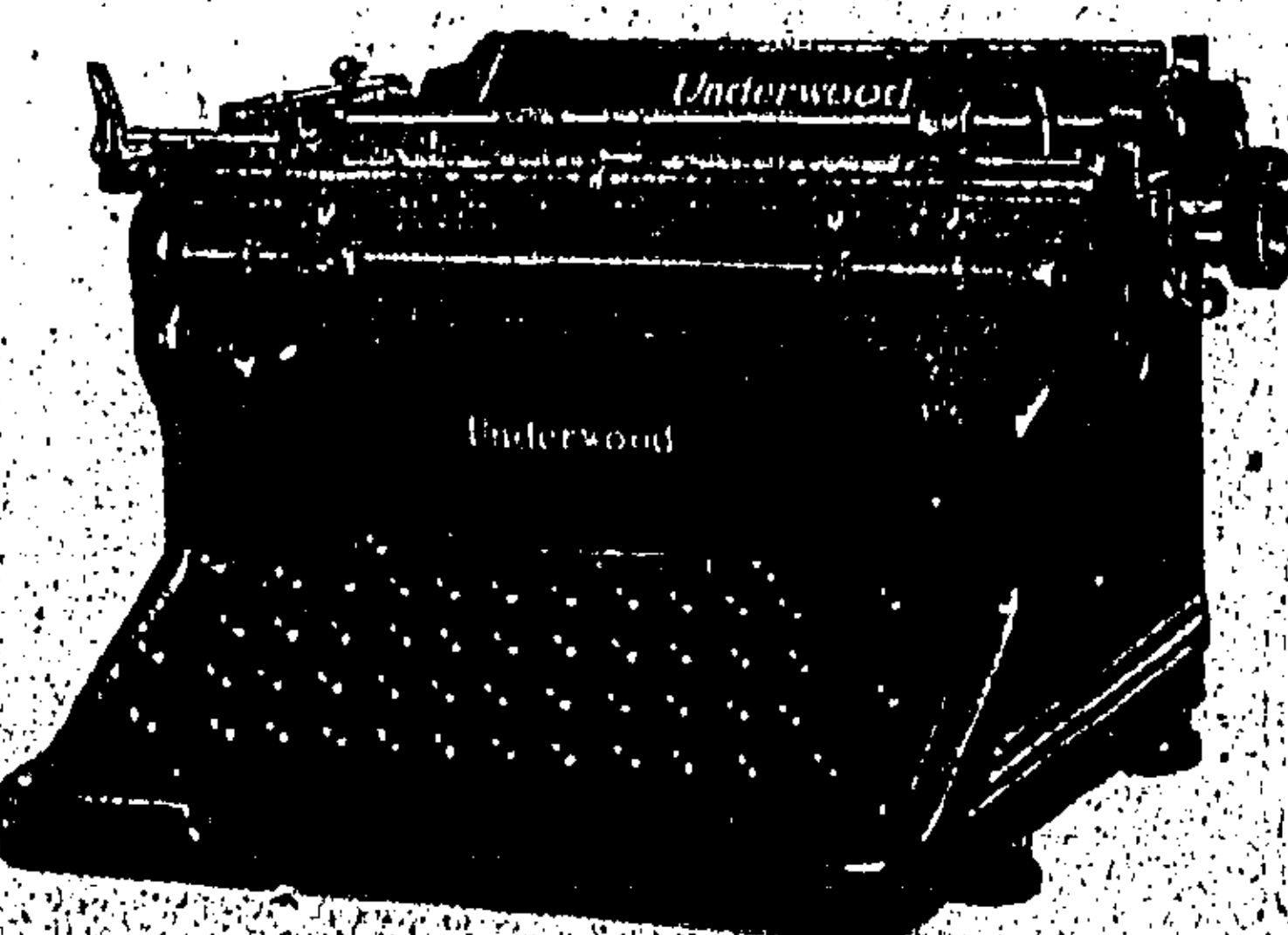
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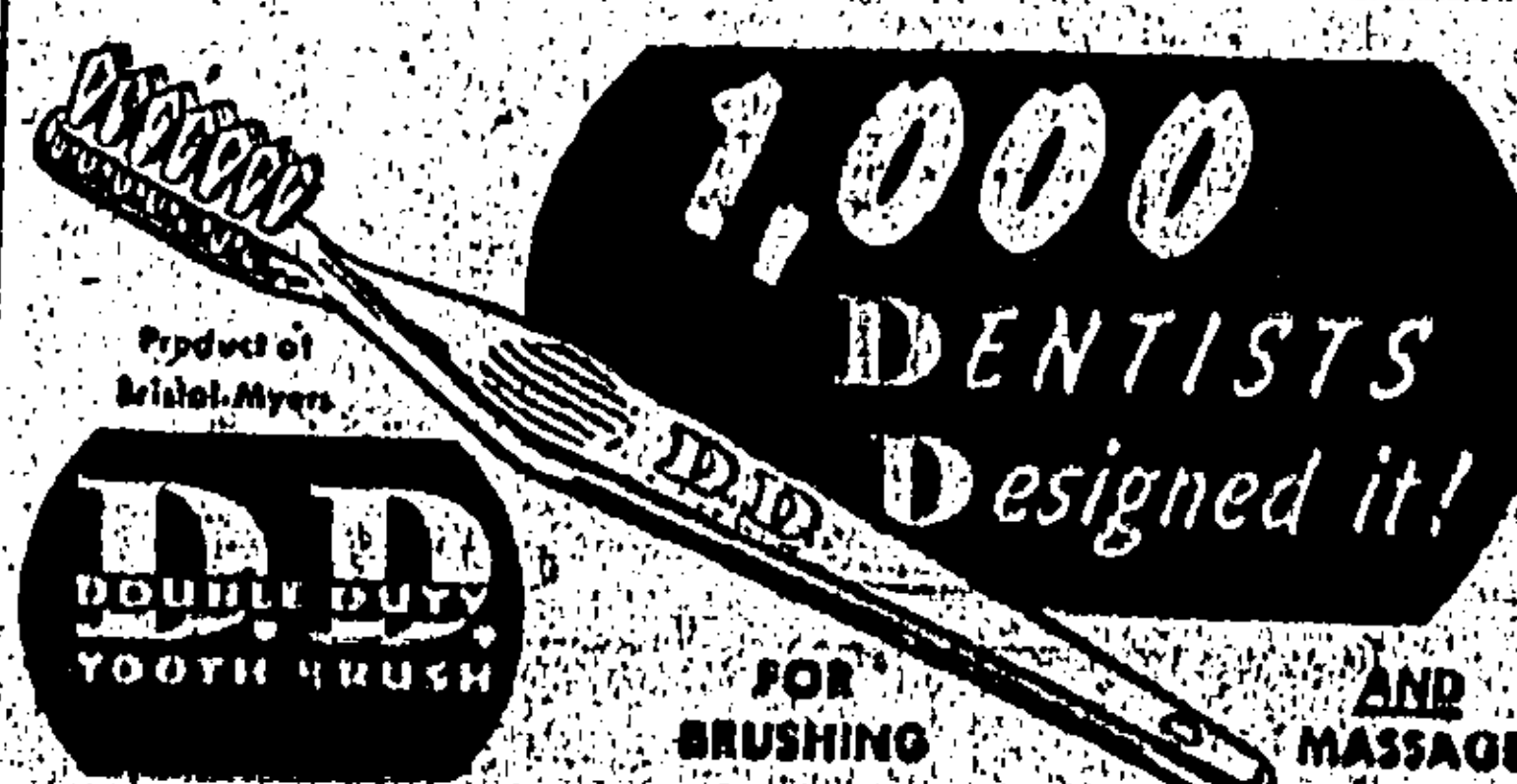
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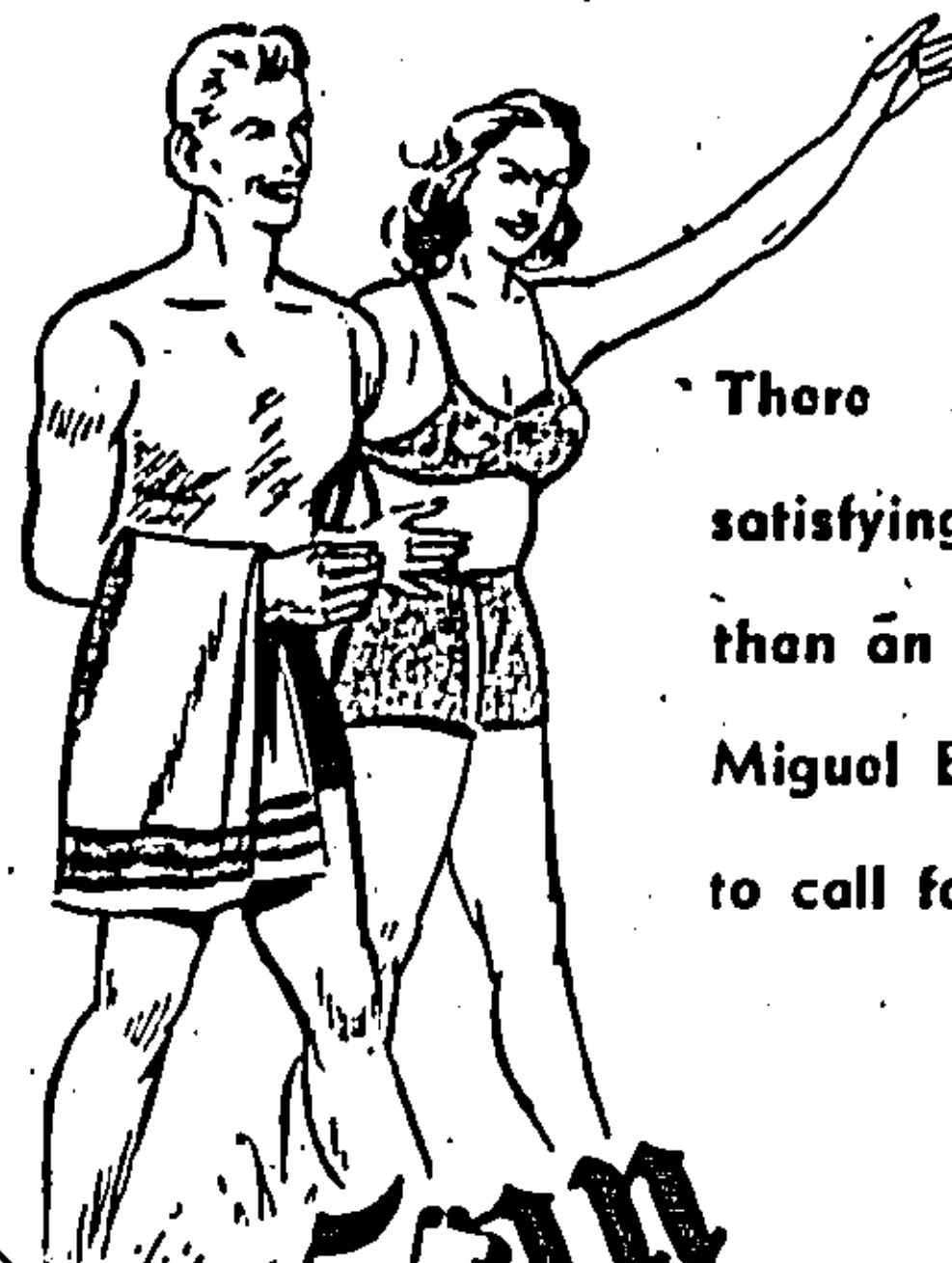
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JEWISH-SYRIAN FIGHTING

MOST SERIOUS BREACH OF THE TRUCE

London, July 19.

An Israeli spokesman in Haifa announced today that fighting had broken out with the Syrians in the north-eastern tip of Palestine, and called it "a most serious breach of the truce."

A Baghdad report, meanwhile, said that Iraq and Syria had rejected the Palestine truce as proposed by the United Nations Security Council.

The rejection by Iraq and Syria promised to let full-scale hostilities flare up again in those parts of the Holy Land where Iraqi and Syrian troops face Jewish forces unless the United Nations, or the other Arab states who have agreed

to the truce, exert their influence to stop the fighting. The Jewish spokesman in Haifa, in commenting on the violation of the truce, said that "we consider that we are consequently at liberty to attack Syrian troops wherever they are."

The Jewish High Command is determined not to cease fighting until the Syrians have been taught their lesson. The spokesman said that the Syrian attack this morning had caused the death of ten Jewish soldiers, and Israeli troops lost a strategically important hill.

THE LONG VOYAGE HOME

Portsmouth, July 19.

A 17-ton Bermuda-type cutter arrived here today after making a 9,850-mile voyage from Singapore in 110 sailing days.

The craft was designed and built by the Skipper, Major John Bessard, Regular Army Officer of the Royal Engineers.

Major Bessard carried a crew of three on his voyage—one of them a woman. The ship is named Yam Seng—Chinese for "Bottoms Up."

The journey began on Jan. 10 and on the long voyage home they called on Colombo, Aden, Suez, Ismailia, Port Said, Alexandria, Malta and Gibraltar, where they spent a total of 68 days for repairs and collecting stores.—Reuter.

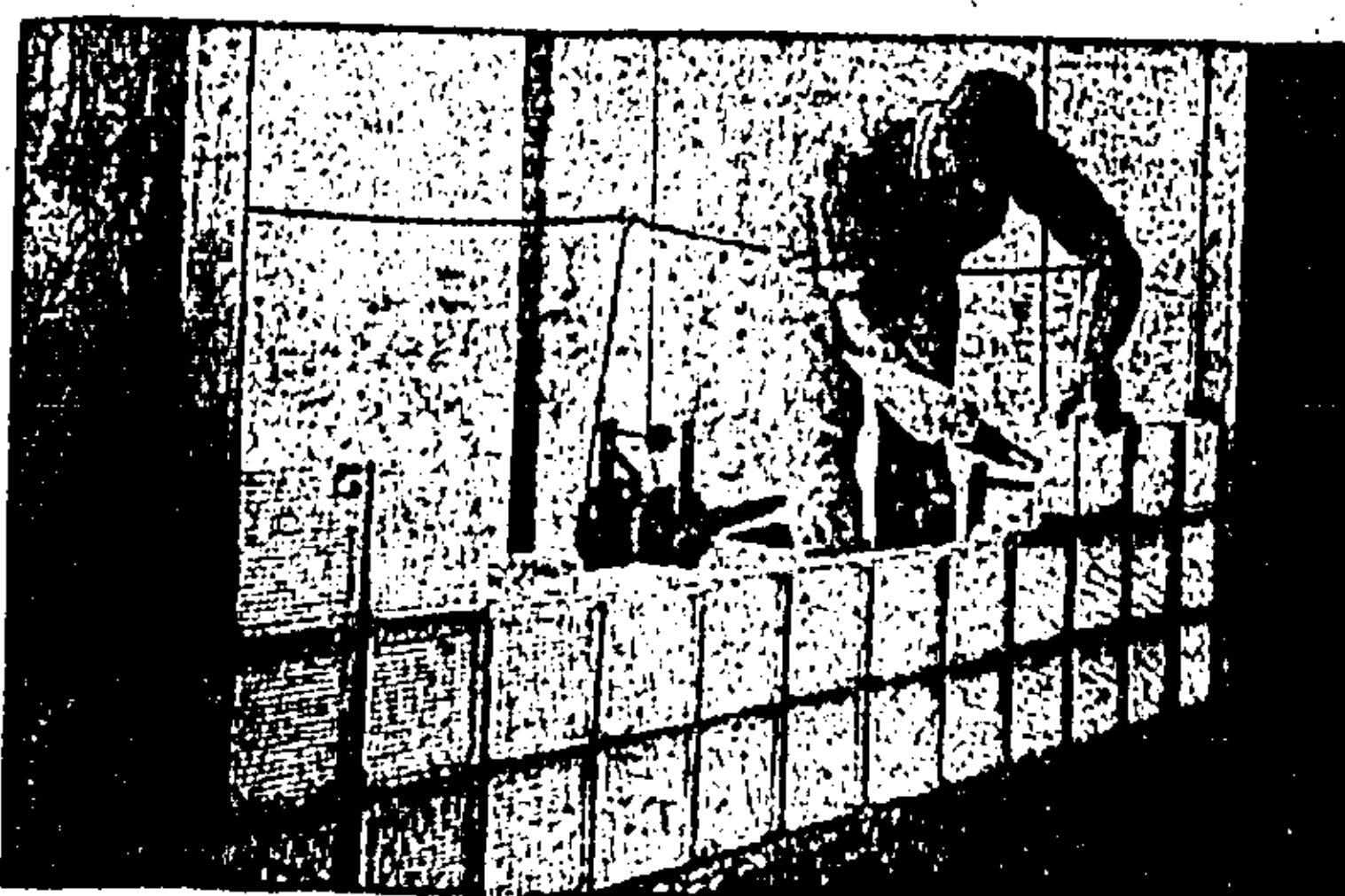
Jews Attack

Syrian pressure was continuing and Syrian troops had also launched a supporting attack further south, he said. The Jews had therefore started an attack on the Syrian bridgehead over the Jordan at Mishmar Matarden to draw off pressure in the north.

The Israelis left the battlefield "covered with dead" when they attacked and were beaten back at Zirin, north of Jenin, the spokesman added.

At Lake Success, however, United Nations officials said they believed that Count Bernadotte, the U.N. mediator, would be able to halt the fighting.

One high official said temporary continuance of the fighting was to be expected in view of the short time between the Security Council's order and its acceptance by both sides.—Reuter and Associated Press.



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Britain And Trans-Jordan

London, July 19.

Mr. Christopher Mayhew told the House of Commons today that the Government would decide shortly whether and when it would pay £500,000 military subsidy in instalment due to Trans-Jordan on July 12.

Payment was held up because of the obscure situation in Palestine, Mr. Mayhew said.—United Press.

Alleged Murder Of Four

Nancy, France, July 19.

Delos Santos Salvador, 40, Filipino ex-GI, will go on trial here tomorrow for the murder of four persons.

Salvador is said to have shot and killed his wife, Gabrielle, 21, his son Jackie, six months' and his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Georges Sohn, last December during Christmas celebrations at the Sohn home here.

The prosecution announced that it would ask the death penalty.

Salvador met Gabrielle Sohn during the war, when he was a member of the Seventh Army. After his discharge, he returned to France and married her. They lived with her parents.

Salvador's mother-in-law threw him out of the house after a dispute a few weeks before the shooting. He returned on Christmas Eve, his arms loaded with toys for the two children.

When Mrs. Sohn refused to allow him in the house, he allegedly pulled out a revolver and shot the whole family, with the exception of his elder son, Daniel, aged two, who hid under a bed.—United Press.

GAY 90's AIR AT CHRISTIE'S

London, July 19.

A marbled bust of Madame Adeline Patti watched from a corner window today while personal possessions of the great Victorian prima donna were sold at Christie's.

Almost forgotten were the thrills of the opera, the whirl of the court which filled the life of the diva who stole the heart of Europe at the end of the last century.

Discriminating collectors and dealers paid a total of £242 for 22 mementoes, tokens of Patti's fame—a silver ten spoon, gift of the tenor Jean de Reszke, a purse, a silver-mounted smelling bottle with topaz finish, a pair of mother of pearl opera glasses and many other oddments went for four guineas each as did two Chinese embroidered silk shawls—less than the cost of a utility coat.

A gift from Czar Alexander the Third of Russia fetched the highest price, 220 guineas. It was a watch in a gold case with an enamel plaque painted with a child sprayed with flowers and enriched with diamond charms.

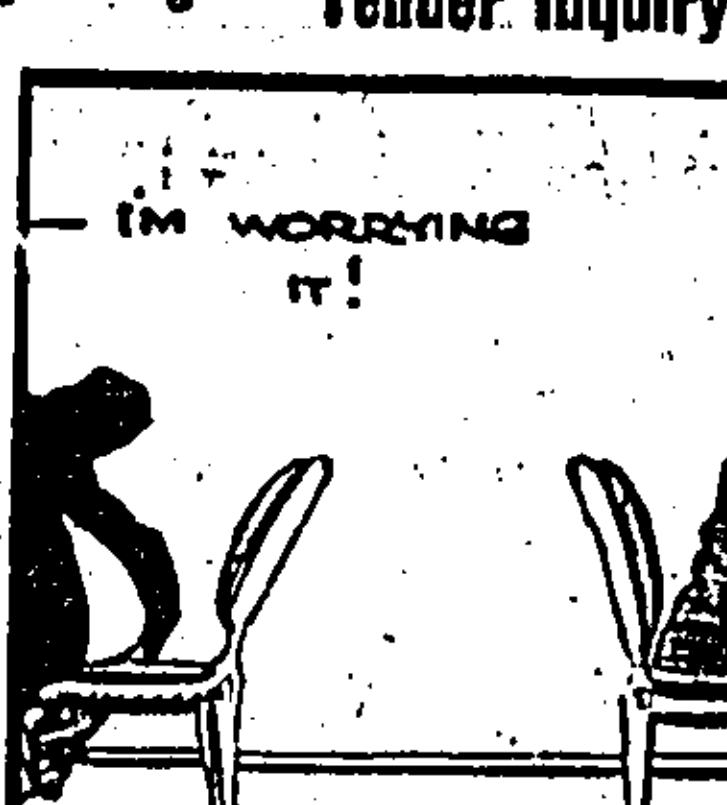
Another item was a silver gilt casket containing a brooch with "Gabriella" done in rubies and rose diamonds. On the lid was roughly engraved "To the Queen of Song, Adeline Patti, souvenir of Gabriella, 1843-1918 from Robert M. Cook."—Associated Press.

REBEL SHOT

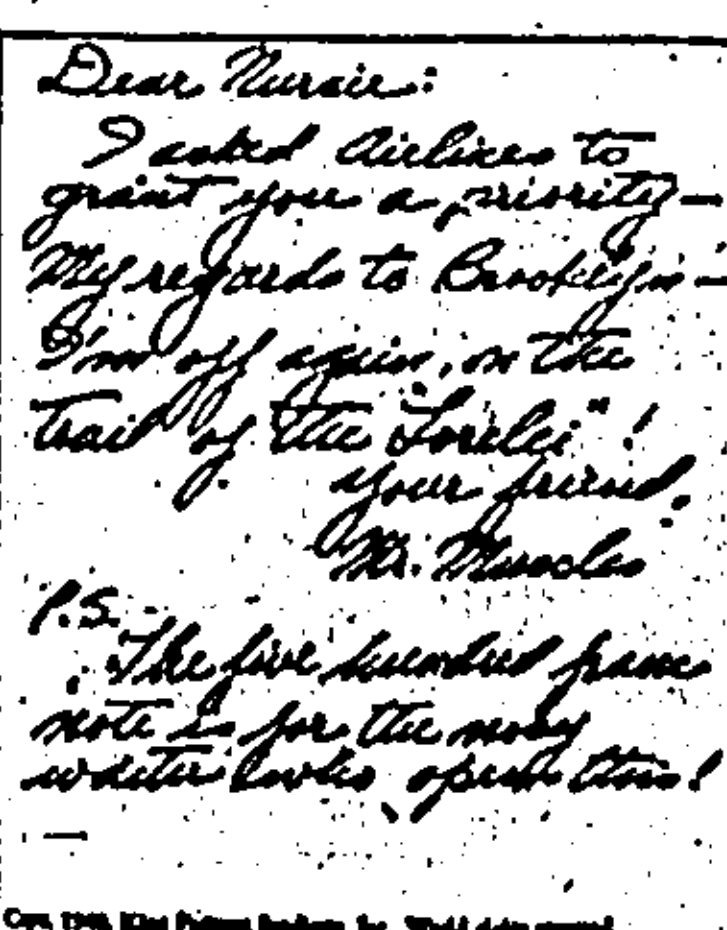
Paris, July 19.

Samel Rakotondrabe, one of the leaders of the Malagasy autonomous forces condemned to death for rebellion last December, was shot at Antananarive, Madagascar, today, Reuter reported.—Reuter.

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PARATROOPS IN TUSCANY BATTLE

Rome, July 19.

Thousands of Italian paratroops and infantry, with tanks, armoured cars and military spotting planes, had tonight almost isolated nearly 400 ex-partisans in the Tuscan hills, near Abbaddia—but had not yet spotted the main body.

The Communist-led insurgents fled to their mountains after last week's riots in which they tried to seize a telephone cable station controlling communications between Rome and northern Italy.

Troops used artillery to blast their way through road blocks left by the fleeing ex-partisans and tonight swung their own armoured cars across routes to the cave-riddled hills.

Accused's Alleged Confession

New Delhi, July 19.

Mr. A.B. Atal, a Magistrate of Gwalior, in northern India, giving evidence today in the Gandhi assassination trial, read out the alleged confession made to him by one of the nine accused, Dr. Panchure, on Feb. 19.

In this confession, the witness declared, Dr. Panchure said Gandhi's alleged assassin, Nathuram Godse, whom he had known since 1941, visited his house on Jan. 27—three days before the Mahatma's death—with one of the accused, Narnari Apte.

Apte told him they were going to do "some terrible feat" planning to kill Gandhi at Delhi.

Apte and Godse then showed Dr. Panchure, the confession continued, the revolver they had brought with them and asked him to get a better one from someone at Gwalior.

Dr. Panchure told Godse and Apte on the morning of Jan. 20 that he would call one of his workers, and that they should talk to him on their requirements.—Reuter.

Death toll of the 36 hours general strike, which followed the shooting of M. Togliatti, rose to 20 with the deaths at Bari of a policeman and at Leghorn of a policeman in a strike disorders.—Reuter and Associated Press.

RATIONING LOOMS IN AMERICA

New York, July 19.

Congressmen will propose rationing for the United States when Congress meets next Monday in the special session called by President Truman to tackle, among other issues, the growing threat of inflation.

Meat prices have been reaching record heights in New York and many other large cities recently. Coal and coke prices have advanced between 50 cents and one dollar and 25 cents a ton.

Even the lowly hamburger, made from chopped steak, has been affected. A big New York chain of shops increased its hamburger price from 20 to 25 cents.

Besides the President's own anti-inflation proposals, Representative Jacob Javits (Republican, New York) will propose a plan—rejected at the last session—whereby the President could set up meat rationing, but Congress could end it.

The repeal of Federal taxes on margarine—also defeated last session—will be suggested. Thousands of families can no longer afford butter.—Reuter.

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SOCIALIST MINISTERS RESIGN FROM CABINET ANOTHER CRISIS IN FRANCE

Paris, July 19.
Premier Robert Schuman's Government fell tonight when its eight Socialist Ministers resigned. The issue was chiefly a proposed budget for national defence, although there were other conflicts in the background. Premier Schuman and his Popular Republican Party (MRP) sought to spend the equivalent of US\$1,017,000,000.

The Socialists and Radical Socialists wanted to cut this by US\$17,000,000. Another background conflict between the Socialists and the Government was a bill which Finance Minister Rene Mayer reportedly has been preparing. The bill would give the Cabinet power to make reforms in the governmental machinery by decree. The Socialists oppose such a plan. Such reforms now must be made by the Assembly.

If, however, new National elections result, the Socialists will have an advantage in being able to tell their constituents they resigned to avoid heavy army spending. The Socialists traditionally are anti-militarists.

A few minutes after the resignations were announced, the National Assembly voted 297 to 214 to amend the budget according to the Socialist demand. There were 70 abstentions. Premier Schuman's Cabinet, although it fell, did not resign as a whole. Only the Socialists took this action.—Associated Press.

BLACK MARKET -RAIDS

Shanghai, July 20.
Ten persons were arrested yesterday when the Economic Police raided eight commercial establishments suspected of having dealt in black market gold and foreign exchange transactions. During the search of one office, police received three telephone calls asking for the black market rates of gold and American dollars.—Reuter.

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He Was In Reverse

Shanghai, July 20.
X-rays of eight-year-old Lee Yung-yuan disclosed the boy's internal organs in a reverse position, doctors reported. The said his appendix, for instance, is on the left instead of the right side. The boy's parents said he is normal, though his health has not been good.—Associated Press.

Threat To Ceylon Industry

London, July 19.
The tea industry in Ceylon faces obliteration unless the blight, a plant disease known for years in north India, which had broken out in Ceylon and southern India in 1946, is wiped out, Mr. W.V.D. Pieris, Ceylonese delegate to the Commonwealth Mycological Conference, told Reuter today.

Delegates from all the Dominions and the colonies—official mycologists and plant pathologists—were present. The last Conference, usually held every five years but upset by the war, took place in 1934.

"Blight blight is a striking and new example of the spread of one disease from one country to another or from one part of a country to another", Mr. Pieris said. "It is the major tea problem facing Ceylon today, and is due to the inefficiency of the control of imports of planting materials". He said control measures would be the responsibility of the Tea Research Institute in Ceylon. The Conference called for the control of planting materials by an international agreement within the Commonwealth. "We will start with South Africa and work from there until the quarantine legislation extends to all parts of the Commonwealth", Mr. Pieris said.—Reuter.

FAO Rice Council Meeting

Washington, July 20.
The United Nations Food and Agricultural Organisation announced today that delegates of 18 nations representing the Far East, Middle East, Europe and America will attend the rice council meeting due to open in Mexico City on Monday.

The FAO said the agenda will include allocations of rice to Europe for the second half of this year and division among member countries of 200,000 tons unexpectedly available from Siam and the United States. The Council normally meets at the headquarters of FAO here, but it will convene this session in Mexico at the invitation of the government there.

The countries which will attend the meeting are: China, Burma, Brazil, Cuba, Ecuador, Egypt, the United States, the Philippines, France, India, Indonesia, Italy, Mexico, Pakistan, Siam and the United Kingdom.

Officials said that until this year the rice supply was so short that none was allotted to Europe. They said this conserved supply is for Far Eastern and other traditional rice eating countries. They said, however, that producer countries wanted to save their usually important market in Europe.

The list of delegates by the countries was announced here as follows:

China, Koo Shou-ang; Burma, Su Mut Tun and Kien Maung Gale; Brazil, Callaro Rodriguez; Ecuador, O. W. Garcia; Egypt, Anwar Niaz; United States, Bob Ellis, chairman of the committee and Michael Bennett; the Philippines, Jose Teodoro and Arturo Tanco; France, A. C. Bousgaud; India, N. G. Abhyankar; Indonesia, G. E. Hogan and R. L. Muir; Italy, E. N. Rogers; Pakistan, M. M. Farooqui; the United Kingdom, Leonard H. Allen; Siam, Dilokait Kridakorn; Mexico, Augustin Ochoa; Cuba, Ramon G. Osuna.—United Press.

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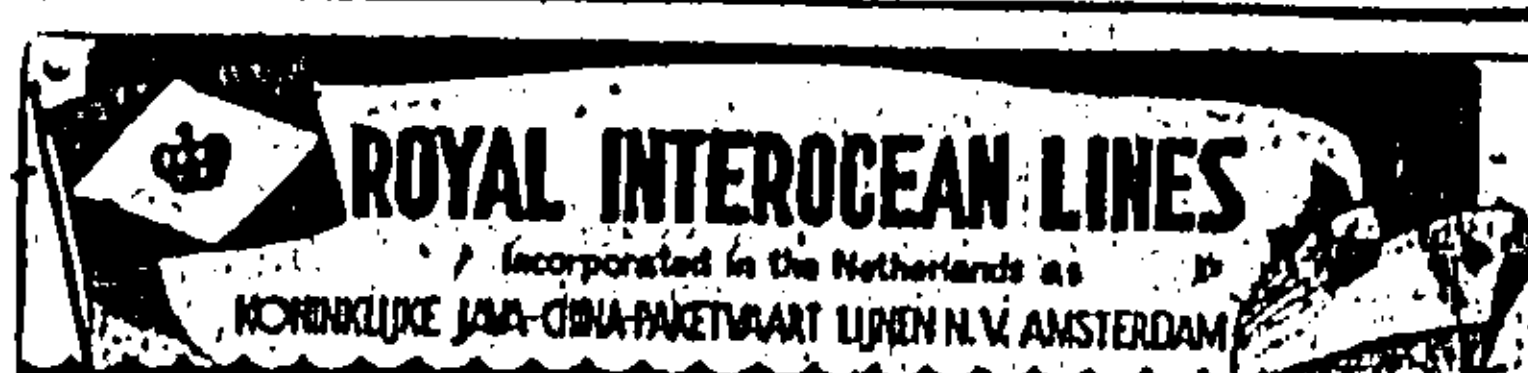
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London, July 19. Although the political situation may well have given rise to it, there was no undue gloom in the stock markets today. There was, however, some small selling of industrial shares, which showed declines of a few pence.

The chief sufferers were brewery issues. These issues were a very dull market, losses were up to 3/10.

It was also a dull chapter in the history of the gilt-edged section. All stocks met with small offerings and losses of 3/10 were shown.

Oils were hesitant. The market seemed unable to decide whether prices should be marked lower or not. An initial general loss of 1/32 was recovered and the market closed fractionally lower on the day.

Recent speculative favourites were today out of favour. Outstanding among these was Thomas Tilling, which fell to 95/- on some fairly heavy selling.

Mining issues followed the prevailing trend. South Africa showed widespread small losses but trading volume remained very restricted.

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FIGURES FOR THE THIRD QUARTER

Washington, July 18. The Economic Cooperation Administration, Mr. Paul Hoffman, announced today tentative E.C.A. allotments totalling \$1,118,800,000 to participating E.R.P. countries for the July and September quarter.

Allotments include both loans and outright grants of aid.

Of the 12 countries participating in the new allotment, Britain, with \$335,000,000, leads the field. France is second with \$251,000,000 and Italy third with \$148,000,000.

E. C. A. said three countries—Sweden, Switzerland and Portugal—requested no allotment for the quarter.

Allotments for Turkey and the United States and British zone of Germany will be made as "soon as" sufficient information is received from them, the announcement said.

Spent in U.S.

The Belgium and Luxembourg allotment will be made following ratification of the bilateral agreement with the United States such as other countries signed to qualify for E.C.A. aid.

Basic allotments including both grants and loans totalling \$1,017,000,000 and may be spent as the participating nations deem advisable. But most of it will presumably be spent in the United States and other western hemisphere nations.

"Supplementary allotments totalling \$100,000,000 are required to be spent among participating Marshall Plan countries. Participating countries needing commodities or material for their economic recovery will use supplementary allotments to purchase such supplies from other participating countries which have a surplus of these commodities," the announcement explained.—Associated Press.

Money Market

The tension in Berlin and reported drop in the New York bond market were given as the two cases which sent the price of gold spurring 1 1/2 points yesterday.

Opening at \$330.00 a tael, it was practically a one-way movement up to the 11th interval. The price then fell to \$328.75. Opening in the afternoon at \$340, it reached the peak at \$342.50. From then on it fell back, and by closing time it was down to \$338.25.

Deliveries totalled 13,530 taels, of which 3,530 were official and 10,000 unofficial.

Plastics opened at \$11.80, went up to \$11.90, and closed at \$11.87 1/2 a 100.

Chinese National Currency recovered from the previous day's drop, and after opening at 8 1/2 cents for futures and 13 cents for spot (for CN\$10,000) it closed at 9 1/2 cents and 13 1/2 cents respectively.

Ticals were unchanged at \$25.80 a 100, as also were NEI Guilders at \$45.00 a 100.

U.S. dollars eased off further to \$5.37.

Stirling was unchanged at \$14.40, as also were Australian pounds at \$12.52.

ICI SHARE ISSUE

London, July 19. Imperial Chemical Industries Limited have decided to issue 10,000,000 new ordinary shares of £1 each at 40/- and to offer the shares to ordinary stockholders on the register on July 30 in the proportion of one new ordinary share for each £5 worth of ordinary stock held.

No increase in the company's authorised capital is needed for this issue: the new ordinary shares will be provided by the Board of Directors classifying an appropriate number of unclassified shares as ordinary shares.—Reuter.

NY RUBBER

New York, July 20. Crude rubber futures closed 30 to 57 higher with sales of 53 contracts. July 23.00 bld, September 22.05 bld, December 22.09, March 22.08.

No. 1 ribbed smoked sheets 24 1/2 nominal.—Associated Press.

British Consul Upheld

London, July 19. The Foreign Under-Secretary, Mr. Christopher Mayhew, declined in the House of Commons today that a British Consul in the United States said the Labour Party won the 1945 General Election because its economic policy was better than the Conservatives.

Mr. Mayhew said that the local press misquoted a speech made by E. A. Clough, English Consul-General for Texas and New Mexico, before the Kiwanis Club. He said that a report from the British Embassy in Washington made it clear that Mr. Clough did not express any personal opinions.

Mr. John Boyd Carpenter, Conservative, called Mr. Mayhew's attention to the speech and said that Mr. Clough was required to assist in judging in English Party politics.—United Press.

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Business has dwindled to mean proportions, and the market is undoubtedly suffering from an attack of nerves. This is due to the unsettling political news particularly from Europe. It is a wonder that the market has only just taken notice of things outside its orbit.

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Two foremen, one ganger and 25 market coolies are employed in the market to take care of the general cleanliness etc., and one ganger and 25 meat porters for the unloading of meat and produce to the stalls from the Government-controlled Slaughter House. This staff is under the direct supervision of Senior Inspector S. G. Poole (S. I. Slaughter Houses and Markets H.K. and Kowloon) and Insp. A. W. Fowler, Insp. I/c Markets H.K., assisted by Overseer Imam Din.

The 11 markets in Kowloon and 17 in Hong Kong are all under Government control, and staffed by the Urban Council.



The lift to the upper floors from the Des Voeux Road entrance.



GROUP PHOTOGRAPH of members of the Buffs team who won the Shield at the Land Forces Inter-unit Aquatic Sports competition last week. Lt. Col. F. W. Parry, O/C 2nd Buffs, is in the second row, second from right. (Ming Yuen)



LADY RITCHIE presenting the Shield to Captain Harries, Sports Officer of the Buffs. (Ming Yuen)



WATCHING THE EVENTS: General Sir Neil Ritchie watching the aquatic events with the GOC Hong Kong, Maj. General A. E. Matthews. (Ming Yuen)



THE GOAL: In the water polo event, the Buffs team (black caps) beat the Minor Units team by one goal. (Ming Yuen)

THE MINOR UNITS team, runners-up for the Shield, are shown at the right. The captain of the Minor Units team, Major Penelope, is 2nd from left in the front row. (Ming Yuen)



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"NINGHAI"	Singapore & Saigon	5 p.m. 23rd July
"HUNAN"	Tientsin & Inchon (Korea)	10 a.m. 28th July
"SHENGKING"	Yokohama & Kobe	6 p.m. 28th July
"FOYANG"	Singapore, Batavia, Sourabaya & Macassar	10 a.m. 29th July
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"NINGHAI"	Kobe & Keelung	21st July
"HUNAN"	Tientsin, Inchon, Shanghai & Foochow	23rd July
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	Robertson, retired hurt	10	2	31	2
	Brown, b. B. Johnston	3	12	24	20
	Edrich, lbw, b. Lindwall	1	7	0	29
	D. Compton, lbw., b. Johnston	3	10	2	15
	Dewes, b. McCool	51	10.4	2	27
	Mann, b. Lindwall		Byes 1, leg-byes 3, no-ball		
	Simms, c. Loxton, b. Ring	7	by Lindwall.		
	Leslie Compton, c and b		Australia—1st Innings 317.		
	McCool		Australia—2nd Innings.		
	Young, b. Loxton	30	Ring, not out		
	Whitehead, c. Lindwall, b.	0	McCool, not out		
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	Hedford, not out	1	Total (for no wickets)		
	Extras	3			
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For three hits including one
 Philadelphia Phillies went on
 for their new manager
 Cook, combining six hits
 for four runs in the fifth top
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 Red Sox: p. Barnell; c. Tebbets.
 Chicago White Sox 0
 Philadelphia Athletics 2
 White Sox: p. Wright; Moulter
 Athletics: p. Fowler; c. Guerra.
 c. Robinson

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A.J.O.	10	8	0	0	91	170
F.D. Rept.	10	8	0	0	184	182
N.H.Q.	10	1	0	0	40	179
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Philadelphia Phillies won another
for their new manager.
Candy Cooke, combining six hits
and four runs in the fifth and top
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ATU	9	0	0	0	1	110
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